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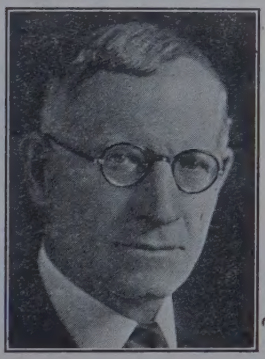

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III

JOURNAL

Daily Proceedings

FIRST DAY

Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church, Portland, Oregon
Thursday, September 1, 1927

The Twentieth Session of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference convened in this Church September 1, 1927, at 9:00 A. M., Bishop Thomas Nicholson presiding.

Holy Sacrament: Hymn No. 170 in Songs of Conquest was sung. Following a communion address by the bishop, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was then administered by the bishop assisted by the district superintendents and the pastor of the local church.

Roll Call: The secretary of the last conference called the roll and thirteen members and one probationer answered to their names.

Organization: J. N. Burdell was re-elected secretary and named as his assistant. B. W. Selin. K. O. Berglund was re-elected statistician and named as his assistant. J. H. Levedahl. C. W. Bergquist, treasurer, named as his assistant, C. E. Magnuson. F. Ahnlund was re-elected conference auditor.

Official Program: The published program was made the official program.

Bar of the Conference: The bar of the conference was fixed to include the first four rows of seats.

Conference Reporter: J. N. Burdell was made conference reporter.

Methodist Review: B. W. Selin was made agent for the Methodist Review.

Drafts Ordered: The bishop presented drafts as follows: From the Methodist Book Concern, $263; Charter Fund, $40, and they were ordered paid.

Conference Permanent Fund: On motion of C. W. Bergquist it was ordered that every pastor who is a member of the conference, shall pay one per cent per year on cash salary to the Conference Pensions and Relief Permanent Fund.

Book Concern Report: B. W. Selin read the report from the Book Concern.

Report: C. W. Bergquist read the report from the treasurer of Conference Board of Pensions and Relief.

Questions 1, 2, 3, 4 were called. See Disciplinary Questions.

Question Fifteen: "Was the character of each preacher examined?"

were asked. F. Ahnlund, Superintendent of Northern District, and C. H. Sundstrom, Superintendent of Southern District, were called, their characters were passed and they read their reports. All the pastors of the conference were called, their characters were passed and they reported.

Retired: J. O. Wahlberg asked to be granted Retired relation, which was granted by standing vote.

Introduction: F. A. Shumann, F. H. Lucke, P. J. Schuert, members of Pacific German Conference, Elias Gerding, representing the Book Concern, Walton Shipworth and J. F. Abbett, members of Oregon Conference, and Dr. H. C. Jennings were introduced. Dr. Jennings addressed the conference.

Question Twenty-five: "Who are the Supernumerary Ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation?" was asked. D. K. Bjork, A. E. Lind and John Ovall were passed in character and continued in the same relation. District Superintendent C. H. Sundstrom was instructed to consult with D. K. Bjork in regard to his conference relation.

Question Twenty-six: "Who are the retired ministers?". The names of all the retired ministers were called, their characters were passed and they were continued in the same relation. J. R. Andrews and John Johnson were present and addressed the conference.

Order of the Day: On motion of C. W. Bergquist election was made the order of the day for Friday morning immediately following the reading of the Journal.

The hearing of the report from the Commissioner on Amalgamation was made the order of the day for Saturday morning.

Joint Session: The Laymen's Association was invited to a joint session Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Greetings: The secretary was instructed to send greetings to Bishop Charles W. Burns and to the Northern Swedish Conference. Also to send a letter of sympathy to Mrs. John Ovall.

Adjournment: The announcements were made and the conference adjourned. Dr. H. C. Jennings pronouncing benediction.

SECOND DAY

Friday, September 2, 1927, 9:00 A. M.

Devotions: Bishop Nicholson called the conference to order. Hymn No. 176 in Songs of Conquest was sung and J. H. Levedahl offered prayer. The bishop then gave a most helpful address.

Journal Approved: The Journal of the previous session was read and approved.

Introduction: Rev. R. E. Gornall, representing World Service Commission, Rev. Roy L. Sprague, representing College of Puget Sound, Rev. E. E. Hertzler, German Conference, Rev. Peterson and Rev. Ortegard, Norwegian-Danish conference, Mrs. J. N. Burdell, Mrs. J. R. Andrews, Mrs.

F. Ahnlund, Miss Nellie M. Curtess and Miss Lottie Peterson were introduced.

Addresses: Rev. Roy L. Sprague reported from the College of Puget Sound and Rev. J. J. Handsaker, representing Near East Relief, addressed the conference.

Report: C. H. Sundstrom read his report as conference representative at Wesley Academy and Theological Seminary. The report was accepted.

Order of the Day—Election: Conference Board of Trustees, one to be elected for a term of three years. J. N. Burdell was re-elected.

Conference Board of Stewards, one to be elected for a term of three years. J. N. Burdell was re-elected.

Conference Board of Pensions and Relief, one to be elected for a term of three years. J. H. Levedahl was elected.

Conference Visitor to Wesley Academy and Theological Seminary, Evanston Ill., J. N. Burdell, and as reserve, J. H. Levedahl.

Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension: J. H. Levedahl and K. O. Berglund were re-elected. Laymen: Hon. J. O. Rudene and William Stone were re-elected.

Conference Council for World Service: J. H. Levedahl, F. A. Lundberg, J. N. Burdell and C. H. Sundstrom were re-elected.

Conference Council for Evangelism: C. H. Sundstrom, F. Ahnlund, J. A. Willman and P. M. Paulson were re-elected.

Trustees Kimbal School of Theology: J. N. Burdell and Carl G. Anderson were re-elected.

Conference Visitor to College of Puget Sound: F. Ahnlund was re-elected.

California State Church Federation: J. H. Levedahl, C. E. Magnuson. Laymen: C. J. Peterson and P. M. Paulson were re-elected.

C. W. Bergquist resigned from the Conference Board of Trustees, to take effect at the close of the conference. C. H. Sundstrom was elected to fill the vacancy.

Telegram: The bishop read a telegram from the Northern Swedish Conference.

Reports: The following reports were submitted and adopted: Board of Pensions and Relief Permanent Fund, by C. H. Sundstrom. Nomination by F. Ahnlund. Board of Conference Stewards by C. W. Bergquist.

Election: C. W. Bergquist resigned from the Board of Conference Stewards and C. H. Sundstrom was elected to fill the vacancy.

Board of Examiners: The bishop appointed F. A. Lundberg to be a member of the Board of Examiners.

Question Thirty-one: "What is the Statistical Report?" K. O. Berglund read the report. It was adopted.

Laymen's Association: J. H. Levedahl was elected to convey the conference greeting to the Laymen's Association and invite them to the joint session at 2 o'clock.

Vote on the amendment of the constitution of the Methodist Episco-

pal Church submitted by the Central Swedish Annual Conference to admit laymen as members of annual conference: for 6 and against 4.

Question Forty was asked: "Where shall the next conference be held?" C. E. Magnuson presented invitation from Los Angeles, which was unanimously accepted.

W. F. M. S. and W. H. M. S.: The bishop read a communication from Woman's Foreign and Home Missionary Societies and, upon request, the bishop gave a most helpful and instructive address.

Conference Journal: J. N. Burdell, editor of the Conference Journal, presented his report, which was adopted. It was ordered that the printed journal be made the Conference Official Journal.

Executive Session: On motion of C. W. Bergquist it was decided to hold an executive session Saturday morning.

Adjournment: The announcements were made and the conference adjourned, the bishop pronouncing the benediction.

Afternoon Session

Opening: Bishop Nicholson called the conference to order. Hymn 158 was sung and prayer offered.

Introduction: P. M. Paulson, president, and Julian Jacobson, newly-elected president of the Lay Association, were introduced and invited to seats on the platform.

Addresses were given by C. H. Sundstrom, "Wesley Academy and Theological Seminary" and by Dr. John M. Cans, "Kimball School of Theology," an educational address.

Topics 4 and 9 on the Laymen's program were taken up for discussion.

Adjournment: The announcements were made. The benediction was pronounced by J. N. Burdell.

THIRD DAY

Saturday, September 3, 1927

Devotions: The conference was called to order by the bishop. Hymn No. 11 was sung. The bishop read the scripture and gave a splendid and helpful address.

Journal Approved: The Journal of the previous session was read and approved.

Order of the Day: C. W. Bergquist read the report on Amalgamation. It was adopted with thanks for most efficient work.

C. W. Bergquist was elected to represent the conference at the annual meeting of Southern California Conference.

C. H. Sundstrom was elected as a member of Commission on Amalgamation.

C. H. Sundstrom and F. Ahnlund were elected as Commissioners on Amalgamation, these two to elect a third member. This commission was given power to act, if the plan of Amalgamation with the Southern Conference should fail.

Election: On recommendation of the Lay Association, O. E. Peterson, P. M. Paulson and Aaron Swanson were re-elected as members of Conference Board of Pensions and Relief.

Conference Treasurer: J. H. Levedahl was elected conference treasurer.

Reports: Following reports were submitted and adopted: Resolutions,

Traveling Expenses. Reform. Auditing. Conference Relations. Conference Board of Trustees.

Appreciation: The bishop expressed his appreciation for kind words said in the resolutions and for the brotherly spirit that has prevailed during the conference.

J. R. Andrews and F. Ahnlund expressed to C. W. Bergquist sincere appreciation and heartfelt thanks for the work he had done in the conference. Bergquist expressed his thanks for friendship and fellowship.

To Preach Conference Sermon: K. O. Berglund was appointed to preach conference sermon.

Sermon: On motion of C. H. Sundstrom the bishop was asked to preach at the Sunday evening service, to which he consented.

The Sunday Afternoon Session to begin at 2 o'clock P. M. and the appointments to be read at this service.

Adjournment: The announcements were made. G. A. Nelson pronounced the benediction and the conference adjourned.

Afternoon Session

The bishop called the conference to order. A hymn was sung.

Invitation: F. Ahnlund presented the matter of inviting a representative from Wesley Academy and Theological Seminary to visit our conference. It was decided to invite Dr. C. G. Wallenius.

Journal Approved: The Journal of the morning session was read and approved.

Adjournment: The announcements were made and the conference adjourned, the bishop pronouncing the benediction.

SUNDAY

September 4, 1927, 2:00 P. M.

The program included a simple ceremony arranged as an honor to four members of the conference: Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Andrews, who attended their fiftieth successive annual conference; John Johnson, retired minister and pioneer in the northwest; and J. O. Wahlberg, who requested the retired relations this year. As an expression of affection and love, G. A. Nelson presented them with roses.

The Oregon Journal had this to say: "Christian brotherhood was beautifully demonstrated at the concluding session of the Swedish Methodist Conference Sunday afternoon when the ministers in a simple manner attempted to express their regret at the departure from their conference of a beloved member.

"Hearts burned and eyes grew moist as Rev. J. N. Burdell of Mount Vernon expressed the regret of the conference over the transfer of Rev. C. W. Bergquist of Pasadena to Georgetown, Texas. The token which he presented at the conclusion of the talk did not represent much in a monetary way—the gift was a fountain pen—but it carried with it the love and affection of seventeen ministers, who wanted this brother minister to write to them regularly."

Resolutions: C. E. Magnuson and J. Jacobson read the resolutions.

Transfer: Bishop Nicholson announced the transfer of C. W. Bergquist to the Southern Conference and Frank A. Lundberg from the Southern Conference to this conference.

Adjournment: It was ordered that after the reading of the appointments the conference stand adjourned. Bishop Nicholson gave an appropriate and instructive address and then read the list of appointments and led in prayer. The bishop pronounced the benediction.

This Certifies: That the foregoing is a correct report of the proceedings of the Twentieth Annual Session of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference held in the Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church, Portland, Oregon, September 1-4, 1927.

THOMAS NICHOLSON, President.
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SPECIAL MEETINGS AND ANNIVERSARIES

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31

1:30 P. M.—Preliminary Meeting for the Preachers.

2:30 P. M.—Board of Pensions and Relief. Rev. G. F. Hopkins.

6:00 P. M.—Banquet and Reception.

7:45 P. M.—Conference Rally. Lecture by Bishop Thomas Nicholson, D. D., "The Way to Success."

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

9:00 A. M.—Devotions, led by Bishop Nicholson.
Communion Service.
Organization of the Conference.

2:30 P. M.—Anniversary, Woman's Home and Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies. Mrs. Carl G. Anderson, presiding.

7:45 P. M.—Conference Anniversary. Chairman, Rev. J. R. Andrews.
Conference Sermon by Rev. J. N. Burdell (Swedish).
Anniversary Board of Foreign Missions, Rev. Z. A. Olson from India.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

9:00 A. M.—Devotions, led by Bishop Nicholson.
Conference Session.

2:30 P. M.—Anniversary, Wesley Academy Alumni Association; Chairman, Rev. J. H. Levedahl.
Address by Rev. C. H. Sundstrom.

3:30 P. M.—Anniversary, Board of Education.

7:45 P. M.—Evangelistic Service. Chairman, Rev. J. A. Willman. Sermon by Rev. C. W. Bergquist (Swedish); Sermon by Rev. Bertil Selin (English).

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

9:00 A. M.—Devotions, led by Bishop Nicholson.
2:00 P. M.—Automobile Ride Over Columbia Highway to Multnomah Falls.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

9:45 A. M.—Sunday School. Superintendent, Mr. E. Bodine. Address by C. E. Magnuson.

11:00 A. M.—Sermon by Bishop Thomas Nicholson, D. D.

3:00 P. M.—Anniversary, Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. Chairman, Rev. J. H. Levedahl. Address by Dr. R. E. Gornall. Appointments read by Bishop Nicholson.

7:45 P. M.—Evangelistic Service. Leader, Rev. J. O. Wahlberg. Sermon by Bishop Nicholson.

IV
DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. (a) Is this Mission Conference incorporated according to the requirement of the Discipline?—It is.
   (b) What officers and persons holding moneys, funds, etc., are bonded, and in what amount, according to the requirement of the Discipline?—Mr. O. E. Peterson, Treasurer Conference Board of Pensions and Relief. Bond $10,000.
2. Who have been Received by Transfer, and from what conference? F. A. Lundberg, Southern Conference.
3. Who have been Readmitted?—None.
4. Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches? None.
5. Who have been Received on Trial?
   (a) In studies of First Year?—None.
   (b) In studies of Third Year under Seminary Rule:—None.
6. Who have been Continued on Trial?
   (a) In studies of First Year:—None.
   (b) In studies of Second Year:—None.
   (c) In studies of Third Year:—Patrik N. Dahlin.
   (d) In studies of Fourth Year:—None.
7. Who have been Discontinued?—None.
8. Who have been Admitted into Full Membership?
   (a) Elected and ordained Deacons this year:—None.
   (b) Elected and ordained Deacons previously:—None.
   (c) Elected to be ordained elsewhere:—None.
   (d) Ordained Deacon, having been previously elected by..... Conference:—None.
9. What members are in studies of Third Year?
   (a) Admitted into Full Membership this year:—None.
   (b) Admitted into Full Membership previously:—Bertil W. Selin.
10. What Members are in studies of Fourth Year?—None.
11. What Members have completed the Conference Course of Study?
   (a) Elected and ordained Elders this year:—None.
   (b) Elected and ordained Elders previously:—None.
   (c) Elected and ordained Elders under the Seminary Rule:—None.
   (d) Elected and ordained elsewhere:—None.
   (e) Ordained Elder, having been previously elected by..... Conference:—None.

(f) Ordained Elder elsewhere under our election:—None.

12. What others have been elected and ordained Deacons?
(a) As Local Preachers:—None.
(b) Under Missionary Rule:—None.
(c) Under the Seminary Rule:—None.
(d) Elected by this Conference and ordained elsewhere:—None.

13. What others have been elected and ordained Elders?
(a) As Local Deacons:—None.
(b) Under Missionary Rule:—None.
(c) Elected by this conference and ordained elsewhere:—None.

14. Who have been left without appointment to attend one of our schools? None.

15. Was the character of each Preacher examined?—Yes, this was done in open conference.

16. Who have been Transferred, and to what Conference?—C. W. Bergquist, Southern Conference.

17. Who have died?—None.

18. Who have been Located at their own request?—None.

19. Who have been Located?—None.

20. Who have Withdrawn?
(a) From the Ministry:—None.
(b) From the Ministry and Membership of the Church:—None.
(c) By surrender of the Ministerial Office:—None.

21. Who have been deprived of the Ministerial Office?—None.

22. Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints? None?

23. Who have been Expelled?—None.

24. What other Personal Notation should be made?—None.

25. Who are the Supernumerary Ministers and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation? D. K. Bjork (Fifth Year), A. E. Lind (Fourth Year), J. Ovall (Third Year).

26. Who are the Retired Ministers? J. R. Andrews, Andrew Farrell, J. Johnson, G. E. Kallstedt, O. W. Ostrom, Aug. Wallin, C. A. Cederberg, J. O. Wahlberg.

27. Who have been granted leave of absence?—None.

28. Who are the Triers of Appeals?—J. R. Andrews, J. N. Burdell, K. O. Berglund, G. E. Kallstedt, C. H. Sundstrom. Reserve, J. A. Willman, C. E. Magnuson.

29. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension?—(See Report).

30. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Foreign Missions?—See Report.

31. What is the Statistical Report?—See Statistician's Report.

32. What is the Conference Treasurer's Report?—See Conference Treasurer's Report.

33. (a) What is the aggregate of the Benevolent Collection ordered by the Annual Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer? $6,564.

(b) What is the aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the Annual Conference, as reported to the Conference Treasurer? $1,235.

34. What are the claims on the Conference Funds?
For annuity distribution, 271¼ years multiplied by the rate of $7.50 per service year. Total distribution, $2,016.
For necessitous distribution:—None.

35. (a) What has been Received on these Claims?

From the Book Concern	$ 263.00
From Board of Pensions and Relief, Chicago	200.00
From Annual Conference Investments (interest)	697.00
From Pastoral Charges	882.00
From the Chartered Fund	40.00
	$2,082

(b) How has it been applied?—See Conference Steward's Report.

36. What amount has been apportioned to the Pastoral Charges within the Conference, to be raised for the Support of Conference Claimants?—$1.00 per capita of membership. (1,226)

37. What amount has been paid by the Conference Treasury to the Board of Pensions and Relief?—None.

38. Is there a Conference Sustenation Fund Society, and what is its Report?—None.

39. Where are the Preachers stationed?—See list of Appointments.

40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?—Los Angeles, California.

V

APPOINTMENTS

PACIFIC SWEDISH MISSION CONFERENCE

Northern District

Superintendent	Francis Ahnlund	3
Cedarhome	K. O. Berglund	3
Kelso-Longview	J. Bostrom	1
Mount Vernon - Field	J. N. Burdell	6
Portland	Gustav A. Nelson	2
Salem	P. N. Dahlin	4
Seattle, First Church	Francis Ahnlund	9
Seattle, Fremont Church	To Be Supplied	
Skagit City	J. N. Burdell	6
Spokane Circuit	J. A. Willman	6
Tacoma	To Be Supplied	
Vancouver	J. Bostrom	1
Venersborg	Eric Nelson	1

Southern District

Superintendent	Carl H. Sundstrom	2
Easton-Fresno	To Be Supplied	
Kingsburg	C. H. Sundstrom	9
Los Angeles	Frank A. Lundberg	1
Pasadena	J. H. Levedahl	1
San Francisco	C. E. Magnuson	1

VI
REPORTS

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Northern District

Dear Bishop Nicholson, Brethren and Friends:

In submitting my report as superintendent for the Northern District, I want to say that the year has been a year of blessings and many happy experiences, gained through our efforts to serve Him, who has done all things well for us. This, however, is no indication of an easy sailing. Nay, to the contrary, it has meant a constant battle, but the reward has been felt through joy and peace, "which passeth understanding."

On the average, our people are loyal to the cause of the Kingdom and the church of their choice. We face, however, an annual decrease through death of that sturdy stock of pioneers, who laid the foundation, built our churches, and who have been the main support of the work thus far. In face of a depleted immigration, and with primarily our own Sunday Schools and Epworth Leagues from which to draw new recruits, we are seemingly not able to make the kind of advance by increasing our membership such as we would like to. Notwithstanding the fact that there has been a number of friends called to their heavenly reward during the year, and not a few removals made, the membership of the district, according to the reports I have received in the Quarterly Conferences, should not be below that of the previous year (1,226).

Special evangelistic efforts have been made by all the pastors, and classes for religious instruction conducted in several charges. It was my privilege to help Brother Willman in Spokane in a series of special meetings held during February, and likewise to assist Brother Burdell in Mount Vernon one week in April. We experienced a spiritual uplift and blessing.

Among the more outstanding events we might mention the remodeling and reopening of the beautiful and home-like church building here in Portland. Sunday, January 2nd, was a great day in the history of this church. Bishop Shepard, the retiring bishop of the Portland area, preached a mighty sermon Sunday morning, and in the afternoon he conducted the dedicatory service and led the subscription. We are indeed grateful to our friend, Bishop Shepard, for his splendid assistance. It was my privilege to share the blessing with our Portland friends and their pastor on that memorable day. Surely the pastor and people are to be congratulated.

Another event of an outstanding nature was the district meeting, Sunday School and Epworth League convention, which was held in Cedarhome, June 29 - July 3rd inclusive. Spiritually it was as good as any meet-

ing of its kind ever held in recent years, and the attendance was fine, especially on Sunday, when great crowds came from Seattle, Mount Vernon, and from many other places, crowding the church to its limit. We enjoyed the splendid service of Dr. and Mrs. Abel Eklund, returned missionaries from the Malay Peninsula. It might be said that Brother and Sister Eklund have been members of our conference, and served on our district four years prior to going out on the mission field. It seemed mighty good to have them home with us once more, and they did render a most valuable service, not only in the convention, but also through the special visits they made in the churches. We feel greatly indebted to them for thus coming to our assistance.

In the Mount Vernon charge with Skagit as an annex, Brother and Sister Burdell have completed their fifth year of service, and it has been a good year. We have in this place a fine group of young people with splendid material for future leadership. The Epworth League has grown until it is now the largest in the district. Brother Burdell preaches to fine congregations, especially on Sunday mornings. What the good people of Mount Vernon need, is a more commodious and up to date church building, in order to properly care for its membership and constituency. Some improvements have been made, and a new range for the parsonage kitchen was installed, mainly through the efforts of the pastor's good wife. The Quarterly Conference unanimously asked for the return of their pastor for another year.

In Cedarhome, Brother and Sister Berglund have had a good year. Though the membership is small, Cedarhome is a community with many Scandinavians, and our church has a mission in this place. Since the pastor invested in a Ford sedan, he is able more effectively to pursue his mission by visiting, which is no small item in a rural community. The Cedarhome folks and their pastor certainly treated us fine during the district meeting and convention. A more splendid hospitality could not be found anywhere. All benevolences have been taken care of, and some improvements made on the property. Brother Berglund was quite ill last winter, but God restored his health.

Seattle has been served by the district superintendent, and this year completes the eighth in my ministry amongst our good and splendid people in the metropolis of the wonderful northwest. As a pastor's family, we have enjoyed the loyal co-operation of members and friends, and it can be said that the year has been one of the most happy of all the years we have been in Seattle. Some special revival meetings have been held in which we received the splendid assistance of Brother Gust A. Nelson from Portland and Brother J. Bostrom from Venersborg. We have received some new members, but owing to several deaths during the year, I am not able to report any increase in membership. We have a splendid group of young people both in the Sunday School and in the Epworth League, and we count it a great privilege to work with them as well as with the elderly friends. It is not wise, however, to have pastor in Seattle and the district superintendent combined in one and same person, and I sincerely hope, for the sake of the Seattle church, that the good bishop will take notice of this fact. All the benevolent causes have been presented with as

good results as can be expected. According to their ability, our people in Seattle are splendid givers.

Fremont, Seattle, has been without pastor also this past year. The church property is rented out to another religious group, and from the money received our friends are now able to pay off a mortgage of $500, and also to pay the assessments on the street improvements as they come due.

In Tacoma, Brother and Sister Eric Nelson have had a year filled with earnest labor, but seemingly with very meager results. Tacoma continues to be one of our many problems. At our invitation last year, Brother and Sister Nelson came to Tacoma, desiring to do their best, if perchance, new life could be injected and our cause revived. We are glad to report that they have done their utmost to feed the little flock and to promote the interest of the Kingdom in that community.

Spokane has been served by Brother and Sister Willman, who together with their splendid son, Enoch, have labored heroically. They have finished the eleventh year of service in Spokane, five years of which constitute this last term. Brother Willman has had a class of fifteen young people for religious instruction, and it was a great day when they had the public examination with these young people in the church. We have in Spokane a fine church building with parsonage. All the benevolences are properly taken, and I believe in some instances to the full amount. Special meetings were held last winter, with some visible results.

Portland is the conference hostess this year, and proudly so because of the beautiful and home-like church to which we have been invited. This year has been a year of great undertakings, and the tireless pastor with his people have done marvelously well. A more beautiful church property one could hardly wish for. Brother Nelson does not only see visions, but he makes them come true. There is no need of my going into details regarding this splendid edifice. Since we are all here, we can make our own inspection and see for ourselves. The cost of the enterprise is some over $9,000, with about $6,000 yet to be paid. Those who realize the extent of the undertaking, must admit that our people here in Portland have done exceedingly well. Special meetings have been held with good, spiritual results, and Brother Nelson has also found time both to conduct a class in Bible training as well as to help others with special meetings.

Salem, Ore. In this beautiful city, the capital city of the state of Oregon, Brother Dahlin has completed another year with good results. In order to serve the whole community, our friends have re-named the church and also changed the order of services so as to meet the need of everybody concerned. The congregation is composed of a lively crowd of younger people, and it has been a joy to visit with them, and to preach in their church. All the departments of the church are in active condition. One hundred dollars has been paid on the debt, leaving an indebtedness on the splendid church building of only $150.

Vancouver, Wash., has been an annex to Portland, Brother Nelson also serving Vancouver. He has visited Vancouver regularly, not only on Sundays but also at other times. The friends in this place are but few, but very appreciative of the service rendered by Brother Nelson. We have a lot in Vancouver, but no building. The American Methodist Episcopal

Church has been open for the use of our meetings, for which we are very thankful. The people have asked for the continued service of Brother Nelson.

Venersborg. It seemed in the beginning of the year as if this place would be left without a shepherd, but after looking around, we found a willing servant in Brother J. Bostrom, who kindly consented to come to the rescue. He has done great things in Venersborg, preaching, singing, visiting, and last but not least, painted the church building as well as getting the material for the undertaking. The friends like him, and will be glad to have him continue as their pastor.

As I now come to close this, my report, let me say a word in conclusion. I want to express my sincere gratitude to the brethren for this kindness, confidence, and forbearance. I have not been the help to them, such as they should have a right to expect; I have been able to do only a part of that which ought to hav been done by the superintendent, but this notwithstanding, I have met only kindness on every hand. I love you brethren better now than ever, because I have had a chance to look more closely into your own problems, and to share some of your burdens. God bless you.

To the congregations and Quarterly Conferences I am greatly indebted. Only courtesy have met me on every hand. I never realized that there could be so much kindness in this dark world of ours—not even among Christians—until I have been subject thereunto.

May the Lord of the harvest field continue to shower his blessing upon our work, and may we go onward in his service until our task shall be completed.

Your Servant,
FRANCIS AHNLUND.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT

Dear Bishop and Brethren:

"Wherefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

It appears to me that we could take the annual report of the average Methodist preacher to his fourth Quarterly Conference, alter it a little, and it would make a good district superintendent's annual report.

For after all, the gist of our report must be that for fifty-two Sundays "a good man," as President Roosevelt says in his "Nine Reasons for Attending Church," has read a portion of the Word of God, prayed for his people and preached to them Jesus Christ; neighbors have come together, nodded in a kindly manner toward each other or shook hands, and they have gone home better men and better women because they have been in the presence of God.

Add to that the fact that for fifty-two Sundays faithful Christian workers have patiently instructed the oncoming generation in what the peerless William Jennings Bryan was pleased to call the greatest science in the world—the science of living rightly, using as a text book the best treatise on this science in the world, the Word of God.

And finally add to this fact that in practically every church there is a devoted group of women—God bless them—who, having been touched by that divine spark of love which kept another group of women lingering at

the foot of the cross, have met regularly in their Missionary and other societies for the two-fold surpose of keeping the fires burning upon the altars of prayer and in gathering in moneys used by the Church in her conquest of the world for Christ.

This must be the gist of our reports, because this is the work of the Christian ministry and the church of God—bringing men into the presence of God, where they see their need of a Savior, offering them salvation through redemption of love, and individuals being redeemed, through them society being redeemed.

About all we can do is to enlarge a little on this in detail.

(1) Evangelistic. Practically all the churches in the district have put forth some kind of an evangelistic effort, some by holding union meetings with other churches, some by special meetings alone, some by observing "Win-My-Chum-Week" last fall, and others by the house-to-house canvass method. Although in no case have the visible results been all that might have been wished, we know that in each case something was accomplished; the people of God were revived, and every such effort is a reminder to the non-Christian that God has some claim on him. We are glad to "know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

(2) Improvements in Property. In Berkeley the Epworth League has installed a furnace in the basement of the church at a cost of $300, the Ladies' Aid has laid a linoleum carpet in the kitchen, put on a new roof, improved the lawn, etc., at a cost of $300, while the congregation as a whole has painted the outer walls of the church, $300.

The Ladies' Aid in San Francisco has laid a very substantial carpet in the church at a cost of about $200, and the Men's Brotherhood has had the church painted inside at a cost of $100.

Kingsburg has painted and papered the church inside, also renovated several rooms in the parsonage—by papering, installing new electric lights, new buffet, etc., at a cost of $455, all paid by the Ladies' Aid.

(3) Special Occasions. October 23-31, 1926, Pasadena celebrated the twentieth anniversary of the organization of the congregation—a whole week of joy and jubilation, feast and festival, sermon and song. It was an enjoyable time for all that had the privilege of attending,, and I was one of them.

Our Annual District Meeting and Bible Conference met in San Francisco April 27 - May 1st, this year. At this gathering we tried to study our modern problems in the light of the question, "What Would Jesus Do?" We believe it was a profitable study. Rev. Abel Eklund, formerly of this conference, now a missionary in Malaisia, home on furlough, enhanced this meeting much with his presence and participation.

On April 7th the little congregation in Easton gave a celebration in honor of the fortieth anniversary of the marriage of Brother and Sister Wahlberg, and I assure that we had a delightful time indeed!

(4) Discontinued Work. There seems to be a law universal according to which where there is life and progress there will be some elimination. The branch that bears no fruit will be cast off. Sometimes there are circumstances where a branch can bear no more fruit, and its days of usefulness gone it must needs be cast off. This law applies to the church, especially the rural church located near a larger city. Within one year

three country churches in one community, within a few miles of Fresno, Calif., have closed their doors, one English-speaking M. E. church, one Congregational church, and now the Swedish M. E. church. We had hoped that the two Methodist churches in Easton might unite, and a year ago some steps were taken in that direction, but shortly after that the English-speaking church, about three times as large as ours, with the advantage of but one language, etc., rather abruptly closed its doors, sold its property, the members scattering, most joining a sister denomination. In order to find out just what our members wished an opportunity was given them to indicate their desire on a list circulated for that purpose. Out of 21 signing the list 19 indicated their wish to discontinue the work, and two to continue. The Quarterly Conference then met and decided to recommend to this conference that the work be discontinued as a regular appointment. Brother Wahlberg, who has very acceptably served the church for 10 years, expects to remain in the parsonage at least until next spring, and if the folks so desire he will preach once in a while to them. The chief reasons for discontinuing the work in Easton are these: the older folks are being moved to "the church triumphant" one by one, and the young folks either leave the community, or, because of language affiliate with some English-speaking church. Before closing this chapter may I not add, that although we regret to see this done it is reassuring to know that Easton has done a good work for the Lord in its day. Many a name has been enrolled upon the pages of the Book of Life, many a Christian life has been nurtured, and many a sorrowing soul has been comforted through the ministry of the Swedish Methodist Church of Easton, Calif.

(5) The Ministers' Homes. The angel of death has spared our parsonages during the year, but not the angels of sickness and suffering.

Brother Bergquist of Pasadena fractured a small bone in one foot last fall, keeping him indoors for practically eight weeks. But he was game and managed to get to church every Sunday except one, and, although he was compelled to stand on his knee on a chair while preaching, he preached to his people—"better than ever," they said. No doubt there is a vital connection between knee work and good preaching!

In the Levedahl home practically every member of the family now at home has had a siege of sickness, especially Sister Levdahl, who was obliged to spend some time in a hospital. But we are glad to know that they are all better, if not entirely restored, and it is our prayer that the Great Physician may soon restore all to health again.

Sister Wahlberg had a slight stroke of apoplexy last May, but we are glad to be able to report that she, too, is on her way to health and strength again.

Sister Andrews, wife of one of our superannuated preachers, underwent quite a critical operation last spring. To begin with, we were very uncertain as to the outcome, but friends prayed and skilled doctors worked and she rallied and is quite well today.

We are sorry to find that Sister Ovall, whose husband, although a member of this conference, is now in the English-speaking work in Springville, Calif., is quite ill, suffering from cancer, with but little hope held out for her recovery. But she is happy and contented, rejoicing in the God of her salvation.

And we are glad to report that the stork has visited the home of Brother and Sister Selin in Berkeley, presenting to the proud parents Carl Warren Selin. May he become a kingly (Carl) bishop (Warren) in the great M. E. Church!

(6) In General. Considering financial conditions our people are doing well in supporting the cause of God. While the church at large gives about $24.00 per capita for all purposes our conference gives over $40.00, and while the church at large gives $2.11 per capita to World Service our conference gives $3.10, or nearly $1.00 more. While most of the churches have enrolled some members, San Francisco as many as 20, we fear that the total will be less than last year on account of Easton leaving us. The pastors and the people have done a heroic work in every charge, considering the problems with which we are wrestling. Some have excelled in one way, others in another and it is needless to go into detail about each individual or charge.

Personally I have enjoyed my work very much, both in my church and in the district. (I always enjoy work—it gives me more fun than anything else under the sun!) During the year I have traveled over 17,000 miles, by rail and auto, making about a dozen trips in the interest of the district, and one east in the interest of the conference. And yet I have found time to make over 400 pastoral calls in my church, marry 3 couples, conduct 9 funerals, baptize 5 children, help lots of poor people as head of the Red Cross, preach 75 times and attend 377 other meetings, besides the thousand and one things that demands the time of the average minister. But I hav enjoyed good health, and, as I said, work and I are on good terms. I have enjoyed the visits in the homes of the ministers and have learned to love the brethren and their families.

May the Lord guide us in the deliberations of this conference, may His presence strengthen us as we return to old or go to new fields, and may the Holy Spirit revive our work in the various congregations!

Your co-worker in Christ,
C. H. SUNDSTROM.

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE VISITOR TO THE WESLEY ACADEMY AND THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, EVANSTON, ILLS., MAY 29 - JUNE 2, 1927

Like Sven Duva of old, standing heroically alone on the bridge holding back the Russian hordes until the troops arrived, so we find our little school in Evanston, standing on the bridge of transition, transition from one language to another, transition in thought which belongs to every generation, transition in—dare I say it?—even in religious and theological thought. And like Sven Duva our school is trying to hold back some things that ought not pass this bridge—at least not yet. A concrete example might make my language a little plainer. The theological students in the Swedish school were supposed to take some theological studies in the English-speaking theological school. After attending a while these students came to the president of our school and begged him to teach the same subject, as they did not desire to attend the other classes any longer. Comments are unnecessary.

Fifteen students were in attendance last year, of whom two, Arthur H. Hagberg, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Arthur W. Sandberg, of Philadelphia, graduated from the theological department with diploma. The latters goes to Sweden to finish his education in the Swedish language.

Here are some of the things which appealed to me:

(1) It is surprising what a good teacher can do with regard to teaching a raw Swedish-American recruit the Swedish language.

(2) One must admire the interest that at least some of the Chicago-Evanston laymen are taking in the school.

(3) They will need the support of the whole of our Swedish Methodism, however, if the school is to continue, because as it is now the regular income covers only about half of the regular expense.

(4) With the support (and often non-support) given the workers one must admit that they are doing an admirable work, including both teaching staff and financial agent.

(5) Through the efforts of the financial agent $84,000 has been subscribed, $30,000 in cash has come in, and of this $17,000 has been used to pay up old debts. About 20 per cent of the membership responds to the agent's appeal. The Christmas collections last year amounted to $2,488.57.

Now these things belong more or less to the surface. As to the advisability or the possibility of the undertaking I do not think that one as far away from the center of things as is the undersigned is able to intelligently judge. Hence I will not attempt to do so.

To me the visit was a pleasant holiday, and I am indeed grateful to the conference for sending me. Will also add that the expenses are all paid so it will cost the conference nothing.

Respectfully,

C. H. SUNDSTROM.

REFORM

We are still living in crucial times as regards political wet propaganda. Political prophets of the wet are working with force and might to overthrow the Eighteenth Amendment of the constitution of our country, hoping to bring back the curse of the liquor traffic. We desire to renew our pledge of loyalty to the whole of the Constitution of the United States of America, and to do all in our power to prevent the return of a legalized liquor traffic.

The Lord's Day—The Sabbath is the Lord's day. He did not make man for the Sabbath, but the Sabbath for man. It was designed as a day of rest and worship, a day in which God should be honored and Christian character and life developed. Its observance is fruitful in adding spiritual furor and strength to the individual, the church and the nation. Its desecration is fraught with the greatest danger and can only be harmful to spiritual lives and institutions. If the home is to be safe guarded, our children taught the great truths of Christianity, the church made to flourish and grow, we must honor the Sabbath day. We therefore call upon our people to give reverent attendance upon the services of this day, to refrain from long automobile trips and other forms of pleasure that will mar its sacredness.

We recognize the desire of our people to enjoy the beauties of nature, but it is unfair that the prosperity of our people and God's blessing upon us should be used to deplete our services on the Sabbath day. Socially, we recognize that all peoples and races are capable of elevation to the highest social standing. Our Christian influence should lend itself to help everywhere all the people of this world to attain the highest and best in social relationship. Let the spirit of Christ prevail in all our relations with people of different races and present social standing. The spiritual life in our churches and the nation needs improvement, and we pledge ourselves to be loyal to the teachings of Jesus, our Lord, and to propagate the Christ life by word and worthy example.

J. A. WILLMAN.
J. H. LEVEDAHL.

(d) RESOLUTIONS

The Committee on Resolutions reports as follows:

1. To God, the Father, and our Savior, Jesus Christ, we give thanks and acknowledge his gracious mercy and blessing during the days of this conference. It has indeed been good for us to be here.

2. To Bishop Thomas Nicholson we most heartily express our appreciation. It has been a pleasure and blessing to have him preside at our conference. We have been inspired by his addresses, heartened by his brotherly and at once statesman-like way of conducting our conference, giving the most careful attention and consideration to even the minor details of our work.

3. We want to thank the congregation with its pastor and his good wife for all they have done for us to make our visit enjoyable and pleasant. In the homes, at the tables, in the church parlors and everywhere, throughout our stay, we have felt that we have been among a hospitable people who have cared for our temporal wants in a very excellent way. The ride up the Columbia river to Multnomah falls will linger long in our memories.

4. To the District Superintendents, the Secretary, Treasurer and Statistician, with their assistants, we say thank you for duties well done.

5. One of the young men of this conference, C. W. Bergquist, is to be transferred out at this session, having had an invitation to Georgetown, Texas. We wish him much success and God's choicest blessings in his new field of labor. He will leave a great void in this conference where he has filled his place so efficiently. He will be missed as a brother, as a faithful servant of the conference in various capacities and for his keen insight and understanding of the various problems of our work.

We appreciate the courtesy shown us by the press of the city, particularly the Oregon Journal with its religious editor, E. W. Peterson.

Committee on Resolution:
C. E. MAGNUSON,
J. O. WAHLBERG.

(e) CONFERENCE TRAVELING EXPENSES

Total traveling expenses are	$332.94
Total collections are	$140.42
Leaving to be pro-rated	$192.52

Pro-rated among 16 men makes each fare $12.05.

C. E. MAGNUSON.

J. A. WILLMAN.

(f) Receipts for the Permanent Fund Board of Pensions and Relief

Northern District:

Mount Vernon	$ 23.00	
Cedarhome	3.75	
Seattle	20.00	
Spokane	10.00	
Total		$ 56.75

Southern District:

San Francisco	$122.00	
Berkeley	20.00	
Pasadena	71.00	
Kingsburg	311.00	
Easton	7.00	
Total		$531.00
Grand Total		$587.75

C. H. SUNDSTROM.

REPORT

(g) Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension Receipts:

Oct. 19th, 1926	$1,171.50	
Jan. 19th, 1927	1,062.50	
Jan. 31st, 1927	62.50	
Mar. 25th, 1927	300.00	
April 18th, 1927	1,125.00	
July 19th, 1927	1,125.00	
Total Receipts		4,846.50

Northern District

Disbursements:

Cedarhome	$ 550.00
Kelso-Longview	150.00
Mount Vernon	250.00
Portland	200.00
Salem	200.00
Spokane	500.00
Tacoma	400.00
Vancouver	100.00
Venersborg	300.00
District (To J. Bostrom)	198.00
District	93.38
Total Disbursements	$2,946.38

Southern District

Berkeley	$ 450.00
Easton-Fresno	365.00
Los Angeles (Donation)	300.00
San Francisco	475.00
District	310.12
Total Disbursements	$1,900.12
Grand Total Disbursements	$4,846.50

WM. STONE, Treasurer.

FRANCIS AHNLUND, Secretary.

(h) AUDITORS' STATEMENT

This is to certify that we have examined the books and records of the following conference officers and found them to be correct to the best of our knowledge: Rev. C. H. Sundstrom, secretary of the Conference Board of Pensions and Relief; Mr. O. E. Peterson, treasurer of the Conference Board of Pensions and Relief; Rev. C. W. Bergquist, treasurer of the Board of Stewards; Rev. F. Ahnlund, secretary of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension; Rev. J. N. Burdell, secretary of the Conference.

J. N. BURDELL.
J. H. LEVEDAHL.

K. O. BERGLUND, *Statistician*
East Stanwood, Wash.

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT—SOUTHERN DISTRICT

J. H. LEVEDAHL, *Assistant*

List No.	NAME OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	NAME OF PASTORS	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT: Support of Pastor: Total Claim, including House Rent	Support of Pastor: Total Paid, including House Rent	Support of Pastor: Rental Value of Parsonage	Support of Dist Supt.: Total Claim, including House Rent and Traveling Expenses	Support of Dist Supt.: Total Paid including House Rent and Traveling Expenses	Support of Bishops: Claim	Support of Bishops: Paid	Support of Conf. Cl'ts: Claim	Support of Conf. Cl'ts: Paid	Total Paid for Ministerial Support	Total Deficiency	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP: Baptisms: Children Baptised	Baptisms: Adults Baptised	Prep'tory M'bership: Prep. Mem. Received During the Year	Prep'tory M'bership: Prep. Members Now on Roll	Full Membership: Received from Prep. Members on Profession of Faith	Full Membership: Received by Transfer	Full Membership: Full Mem. now on Roll not inc. Nonresident Inactive Members	Full Membership: Non-resident Inactive Members	Full Membership: Deaths During Year
1	Berkeley-Oakland	B. Selin	1500	1500	450	15	15	10	10	50	50	1575		1		4			5	63	7	2
2	Easton-Fresno	J. O. Wahlberg		473	144	12	12		5		40	530								23		
3	Kingsbury	C. H. Sundstrom	2200	2800	300			30	30	330	330	3160		9		14	38	3	4	330	16	4
4	Los Angeles	C. E. Magnuson	2700	2700		25	25	25	25	100	100	2850		5				3		211		2
5	Pasadena	C. W. Bergquist	1960	1960	360	40	40	22	22	110	110	2132		2		1	5	1	1	110	7	2
6	San Francisco	J. H. Levedahl	1704	1704	480	24	24		15	46	42	2265	4			11		20		62	15	1
	Total		10164	11137	1734	116	116	87	107	636	672	12512	4	17		30	43	27	10	799	45	11

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1	Cedarhome	K. O. Berglund	420	420	120	8	8	3	3	5	5	441							3	5	1	3
2	Mt. Vernon-Field	J. N. Burdell	1220	1245	200	40	45	15	15	40	40	1345		3			6			65	5	
3	Portland	G. A. Nelson	1500	1500	300	40	40	15	15	50	40	1595	10	1		1	1	6		58		1
4	Salem	P. N. Dahlin	600	600		10	10			10	10	620								13	13	
5	Seattle, First Church	Fr. Ahnlund	1850	1850	300	50	50	20	20		60	1980		2		2		3		132	2	4
6	Seattle-Fremont						10					10								12		
7	Skagit	J. N. Burdell		55				1	1	4	4	60								10		1
8	Spokane	J. A. Willman	1024	1024	300	20	20	10	10	42	45	1099		3	4	15	19	2	2	42	19	3
9	Tacoma	E. Nelson	462	462	120		7		2		5	476								16	3	
10	Vancouver	G. A. Nelson																		3		
11	Venersborg	J. Bostrom	100	100			10	1	1	1	1	112								27	1	1
	Total		7176	7256	1340	168	200	65	67	152	210	7738	10	9	4	18	26	11	5	383	44	13
	Northern District	Fr. Ahnlund, Supt.	7176	7256	1340	168	200	65	67	152	210	7738	10	9	4	18	26	11	5	383	44	13
	Southern District	C. H. Sundstrom, supt	10164	11137	1734	116	116	87	107	636	672	12512	4	17		30	43	27	10	799	45	11
	Total for Conference		17340	18393	3074	284	316	152	174	788	882	20250	14	26	4	48	69	38	15	1182	89	24
		Increase	206	725	70					15		607	14			20	27				4	
		Decrease				438	426	12	18		168			15	1			21	4	44		2

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List No.	NAME OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	NAME OF PASTORS	SUNDAY SCHOOLS				EPWORTH LEAGUE		CHURCH PROPERTY									MISCELLANEOUS		
			Number of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Enrolled in All Depts. including Cradle Roll, Home Dept., Officers, Teachers and Pupils	Average Attendance	Senior Members	Junior Members	Church Buildings	Estimated Value of Land and Buildings	Parsonages	Estimated Value of Land and Buildings	Val. of other Properties Endowments, Bonds, etc.	Paid for Buildings and Improvements	Paid for Old Indebtedness on Property	Present Indebtedness on Property	Current Expenses, not Including Ministerial Support	Local Preachers	Subscribers to the Advocates	Amount Contributed by Ladies Aid Society
1	Berkeley-Oakland	B Selin	1	10	58	30	35		1	15000	1	7500		900	700	850	425	2	15	200
2	Easton-Fresno	J O Wahlberg	1	5	10	5			1	1200	1	1500					36	1		60
3	Kingsbury	C H Sundstrom	1	15	376	182	61		1	15000	2	8500		155		3900	1526		17	466
4	Los Angeles	C E Magnuson	1	20	150	90	60		1	65000				100	1000	13000	1500	3	20	600
5	Pasadena	C W Berggrist	1	9	51	35	30		1	10000	1	3500					716		22	342
6	San Francisco	J H Levedahl	1	7	108	37	25		1	15000	1	5000		400			975	2	20	200
	Total		6	66	753	383	211		6	121400	6	26000		1850	1700	17750	5178	8	95	1868

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1	Cedarhome	K. O Berglund	1	3	32	20			1	2000	1	700		11			93		4	283
2	Mt. Vernon-Field	J N Burdell	1	12	92	55	56		2	3700	1	2000		150			525		18	295
3	Portland	G. A. Nelson	1	10	92	60	20		1	15000	1	3800		2047		7213	597	1		350
4	Salem	P. N. Dahlin	1	8	60	35	13		1	4800				50	100	400	363		1	196
5	Seattle, First Church	Fr. Ahlund	1	9	80	50	40		1	30000							1113	2	10	516
6	Seattle-Fremont								1	4000										
7	Skagit	J N Burdell							1	800	1	400								
8	Spokane	J A Wellman	1	7	30	20	20	10	1	8000	1	2000		60			500	2	12	300
9	Tacoma	E. Nelson							1	8000	1	2000		12			115	1		
10	Vancouver	G A Nelson								500										
11	Venersborg	J Bostrom							1	2000				225			35	1		57
	Total		6	49	386	240	155	10	11	78800	6	11900		2565	100	7613	3341	7	45	1997
1	Northern District	Fr Ahlund, Supt	6	49	386	240	155	10	11	78800	6	11900		2565	100	7613	3341	7	45	1997
	Southern District	C H. Sundstrom, supt	6	66	753	383	211		6	121400	6	26000		1850	1700	17750	5178	8	95	1868
	Total for Conference		12	115	1139	623	366	10	16	200200	12	37900		4415	1800	25363	8519	15	140	3865
		Increase								9300				1237		9563	2034			245
		Decrease	1	24	43	46	27	32	1		1		300		3435				24	

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					PUPILS ENROLLED														
		Schools on Charge	Schools Using Graded Lessons	Officers and Teachers	Cradle Roll	Beginners	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Senior	Young People	Adults	Home Department	Enrolled in all Departments, including Cradle Roll, Home Department Officers, Teachers & Pupils	Average Attendance	Pupils, including the Home Department who are Church Members or Preparatory Members	Accessions to the Church from Membership of S. S.	Paid by Sunday School to World Service	Paid for Sunday School Supplies
		1	2	3	4 (a)	4 (b)	4 (c)	4 (d)	4 (e)	4 (f)	4 (g)	4 (h)	4 (i)	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	Berkeley-Oakland	1	1	10	.....	5	12	.....	8	5	10	8	.....	58	30	20	.....	.....	51
2	Easton-Fresno	1	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	9	.....	.....	21	10
3	Kingsburg	1	1	15	26	42	13	57	24	9	52	138	.....	376	182	.....	.....	75	347
4	Los Angeles	1	.....	20	16	18	9	11	7	8	26	52	.....	150	90	85	.....	20	250
5	Pasadena	1	.....	9	7	4	6	10	11	3	4	6	.....	51	35	42	.....	30	78
6	San Francisco	1	1	7	25	15	10	5	15	.....	9	10	10	108	37	26	11	60	60
	Total	6	3	66	74	84	50	86	65	25	101	214	10	753	383	173	11	206	796

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1	Cedarhome	1	.....	3	..	5	10	5	8	2	.....	.....	.....	32	20	.....	.....	11	54
2	Mt. Vernon-Field	1	.....	12	10	10	12	10	11	10	9	20	.....	92	55	16	.....	15	45
3	Portland	1	.....	10	7	18	.....	28	22	.....	.....	7	.....	92	60	9	1	.....	132
4	Salem	1	1	8	12	8	7	6	8	3	4	4	.....	60	35	.....	.....	20	56
5	Seattle—First Church	1	.....	9	.....	6	5	7	6	7	10	12	18	80	50	40	2	18	50
6	Seattle-Fremont	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
7	Skagit	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
9	Spokane	1	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	20	.....	.....	.....	75
9	Tacoma	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10	Vancouver	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
11	Venersborg	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Total	6	1	49	29	37	32	56	55	22	23	43	18	286	240	65	3	79	412

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		Senior League		Intermediate League		Junior League		Epworth Heralds Taken	Paid to Central Office	Paid to World Service
		Chapters	Members	Chapters	Members	Chapters	Members			
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	Berkeley-Oakland	1	35					15	..	
2	Easton-Fresno		....					12		
3	Kingsbury		61					4		20
4	Los Angeles	1	60						5	
5	Pasadena	1	30			....		10		9
6	San Francisco	1	25	1	11					
	Total	4	211	1	11			41	5	29

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1	Cedarhome	1	56					10		25
2	Mt. Vernon-Field	1	26					11		
3	Portland	1	13							16
4	Salem	1	40							
5	Seattle—First Church									
6	Seattle-Fremont									15
7	Skagit	1	20			1	10	2		
8	Spokane									
9	Tacoma									
10	Vancouver									
11	Venersborg									
	Total	5	155			1	10	23	....	56

CARL W. BERGQUIST, *Treasurer*
Pasadena, Calif.

CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT—SOUTHERN DISTRICT

C. E. MAGNUSSON, *Assistant*

List No.	NAME OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES ("An Annual Conference may allow a pastor to present a separate report for each church or society in his pastoral charge." Discipline, Paragraph 88, Sec. 3.	Disciplinary Benevolences As Ordered by the Gen. Conference						Benevolences As Ordered by the Annual Conference						Other Cash Items							
		World Service		Children's Day Fund	Women's Foreign Missionary Society	Women's Home Missionary Society	Total Disciplinary Benevolences	Educational Endowments, Buildings, Special Gifts for use within the Conf.	Hospitals and Homes, Endowments, Buildings, Special Gifts	Wesley Seminary	Bethany Homes	Students' Loan Fund	Area Office	Other Benevolences	Total Benevolences Ordered by the Annual Conference	Support of Dist. Supt. including House Rent and Administrative Expenses	Support of Bishops (Episcopal Fund	Support of Conference Claimants	Annual Conference Investments for Conference Claimants	General Conference Expenses	Grand Total, including Disciplinary and Annual Conference Benevolences and other Cash Items
		On Apportionment	Specials, Annuities, Legacies, etc.																		
1	Berkeley	287		6	203		496			14	1		3	19	37	15	10	50	20	5	633
2	Easton-Fresno	65	12		79		156			7					7	12	5	40	7	2	229
3	Kingsburg	1273	35	12	328	446	2094		25	55	36	5		134	255		30	330	311	24	3044
4	Los Angeles	233		7	131	398	769				2		5		7	25	25	100			926
5	Pasadena	518		10	182		710			40	29	5	5	371	450	40	22	110	71	12	1415
6	San Francisco	329	35		217		581			11				57	68	24	15	42	122		852
	Total	2705	82	35	1140	844	4806		25	127	68	10	13	581	824	116	107	672	531	43	7099

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1	Cedarhome	55			32		87							35	35	8	3	5	3	1	142
2	Kelso-Longview																				
3	Mt. Vernon-Field	184		1	128		313			9	6			15	30	45	15	40	23	3	469
4	Portland	166			180		346		62	15				47	124	40	45	40		11	576
5	Salem	50			66		116						1		1	10		10		6	143
6	Seattle	368	8	3	130		509			20	9			86	115	50	20	60	20	17	791
7	Skagit City	21					21										1	4		1	27
8	Spokane	200		2	46		248	37		7		2		49	95	20	10	45	10	5	433
9	Tacoma	110		1			111			4				7	11	7	2	5		5	141
10	Vancouver																				
11	Venersborg	7					7									10	1	1		1	20
	Total	1161	8	7	582		1758	37	62	55	15	2	1	239	411	190	67	210	56	50	2742
	Conference Total	3866	90	42	1722	844	6564	37	87	182	83	12	14	820	1235	306	174	882	587	93	9841

VII

ROLL OF DEAD

MEMBERS OF CONFERENCE

"Blessed are they who die in the Lord . . . . They rest from their labors, and their works do follow them."

Nicholas G. Nelson, born July 14th, 1853, died Oct. 13th, 1923, age 70 years. Entered the Ministry 1879. Transferred to this Conference 1908.

Oscar L. Linstrum, born November 9th, 1857, died January 19th, 1926, age 68 years. Entered the Ministry 1879. Transferred to this Conference 1910.

VIII

HISTORICAL

(a) FORMER MEMBERS AND PROBATIONERS

Name	Year in the Conference
Beck, A. G.	1909—1913
Bergquist, C. W.	1914—1927
Eklund, Abel	1914—1921
Emanuel, C. G.	1918—1922
Hallen, A., Ph. D.	1908—1914
Johnson, O. N.	1908—1916
Landin, E. G.	1908—1916
Lindstrom, Gust	1912—1918
Moody, S.	1908—1910
Wells, C. J.	1919—1922
Werner, G. A., Ph. D.	1908—1912
Westerdahl, C. G.	1916—1919
Westling, O. W.	1910—1913

(b) CONFERENCE SESSIONS

1908 — 1916

Year	Date	Place	Bishop	Secretary	Treasurer	Statistician
1908	Sept. 2-6	Oakland, Cal.	Henry W. Warren	G. A. Werner	G. E. Kallstedt	K. O. Berglund
1909	Aug. 21-24	Seattle, Wash.	Charles W. Smith	G. A. Werner	G. E. Kallstedt	K. O. Berglund
1910	Sept. 15-18	San Francisco, Cal.	Edwin H. Hughes	G. A. Werner	G. E. Kallstedt	K. O. Berglund
1911	Sept. 7-10	Portland, Ore.	Charles W. Smith	G. A. Werner	A. E. Lind	K. O. Berglund
1912	Sept. 5-8	Los Angeles, Cal.	Wm. O. Shepard	J. N. Burdell	A. E. Lind	K. O. Berglund
1913	Oct. 2-5	Spokane, Wash.	R. J. Cooke	J. N. Burdell	G. E. Kallstedt	K. O. Berglund
1914	Sept. 10-13	Kingsburg, Cal.	F. J. McConnell	J. N. Burdell	G. E. Kallstedt	K. O. Berglund
1915	Sept. 9-15	San Francisco, Cal.	Edwin H. Hughes	J. N. Burdell	G. E. Kallstedt	K. O. Berglund
1916	Sept 21-24	Tacoma, Wash.	Matt. S. Hughes	J. N. Burdell	G. E. Kallstedt	K. O. Berglund
1917	Sept. 20-23	Mt. Vernon, Wash.	Matt. S. Hughes	J. N. Burdell	G. E. Kallstedt	K. O. Berglund
1918	Sept. 6-9	Pasadena, Cal.	W. P. Thirkield	J. N. Burdell	C. W. Bergquist	K. O. Berglund
1919	Sept. 18-21	Portland, Ore.	Matt. S. Hughes	J. N. Burdell	C. W. Bergquist	K. O. Berglund
1920	Sept. 2-5	Los Angeles, Cal.	Adna W. Leonard	J. N. Burdell	C. W. Bergquist	K. O. Berglund
1921	Sept 7-11	Seattle, Wash.	Wm. O. Shepard	J. N. Burdell	C. W. Bergquist	K. O. Berglund
1922	Sept. 28-Oct. 1	Berkeley, Cal.	Charles W. Burns	F. Ahnlund	C. W. Bergquist	C. J. Wells
1923	Sept. 27-30	Spokane, Wash.	Wm. O. Shepard	F. Ahnlund	C. W. Bergquist	K. O. Berglund
1924	Oct. 9-12	Kingsburg, Cal.	Eben S. Johnson	F. Ahnlund	C. W. Bergquist	K. O. Berglund
1925	Sept. 24-27	San Francisco, Cal.	Charles L. Mead	F. Ahnlund	C. W. Bergquist	K. O. Berglund
1926	Sept. 2-5	Mt. Vernon, Wash.	Charles W. Burns	J. N. Burdell	C. W. Bergquist	K. O. Berglund
1927	Sept. 1-4	Portland, Ore.	Thomas Nicholson	J. N. Burdell	C. W. Bergquist	K. O. Berglund

IX

MISCELLANEOUS

(a) PREACHERS' ADDRESSES

Ahnlund, Francis	1604 Boren Ave., Seattle, Wash.
Andrews, J. R.	Box E, Kingsburg, Calif.
Berglund, K. O.	R. F. D. 2, East Stanwood, Wash.
Bjork, D. K.	1241 N. New Hampshire, Los Angeles, Calif.
Bostrom, J.	167 Beech St., Portland, Ore.
Burdell, J. N.	314 Section St., Mount Vernon, Wash.
Cederberg, C. A.	R. B., Box 195, Kingsburg, Calif.
Dahlin, P. N.	2095 Trade St., Salem, Ore.
Farrell, And.	1300 Lincoln St., Kingsburg, Calif.
Johnson, John	Burlington, Wash.
Kallstedt, G. E.	582 N. Madison Ave., Pasadena, Calif.
Levedahl, J. H.	537 Summit Ave., Pasadena, Calif.
Lind, A. E.	512 - 66th St., Oakland, Calif.
Lundberg, F. A.	1565 W. 14th St., Los Angeles, Calif.
Magnuson, C. E.	429 Guerrero St., San Francisco, Calif.
Moody, S.	712 Meeker St. W., Kent, Wash.
Munson, Peter	902 N. Madison Ave., Pasadena, Calif.
Nelson, A. G.	167 Beech St., Portland, Ore.
Nelson, Eric	Box 22, Brush Prairie, Wash.
Ostrom, O. W.	Route F., Box 455, Fresno, Calif.
Ovall, John	Springville, Calif.
Sundstrom, C. H.	1301 Smith St., Kingsburg, Calif.
Selin, B. W.	2001 Woolsey St., Berkeley, Calif.
Wahlberg, J. O.	Route F., Box 107, Fresno, Calif.
Wallin, Aug.	Paso Robles, Calif.
Willman, J. A.	507 Grant St., So. Spokane, Wash.

(b) SUPPLIES AND LOCAL PREACHERS

Axel Anderson ..... Local Preacher, Portland, Ore.

Rev. J. Bostrom ..... Supplying Vancouver, Wash.

M. Blomstad ..... Local Preacher, Berkeley, Calif.

G. E. Carlson ..... Local Preacher, Tacoma, Wash.

Oscar Carlson ..... Local Preacher, Seattle, Wash.

R. Carlquist ..... Local Preacher, Los Angeles, Calif.

Vincent Howard ..... Local Preacher, Portland, Ore.

C. I. Johnson ..... Local Preacher, Seattle, Wash.

O. N. Johnson ..... Local Preacher, Seattle, Wash.

J. Magnuson ..... Local Preacher, Easton, Calif.

E. M. Mathson ..... Local Preacher, San Francisco, Calif.

M. Nelson ..... Local Preacher, Los Angeles, Calif.

Rev. E. Nelson ..... Supplying Venersborg, Wash.

Mrs. E. Nelson ..... Local Preacher, Venersborg, Wash.

N. J. Peterson ..... Local Preacher, Los Angeles, Calif.

E. G. Rosendahl ..... Local Elder, Kingsburg, Calif.

C. Swanbom ..... Local Preacher, Easton, Calif.

Mrs. J. A. Willman ..... Local Preacher, Spokane, Wash.

(c) GENERAL

Representatives to the Wesley Academy and Theological Seminary

Evanston, Ill.

(Conference Visitor and Trustee)

1912, A. E. Lind; 1913, J. N. Burdell; 1914, K. O. Berglund; 1915, C. A. Cederberg; 1916, J. N. Burdell; 1917, J. H. Levedahl; 1918, Gust Lindstrom; 1919, Francis Ahnlund; 1920, Abel Eklund; 1921, J. A. Willman; 1922, C. W. Bergquist; 1923, K. O. Berglund; 1924, A. E. Lind; 1925, Francis Ahnlund; 1926, J. H. Levedahl; 1927, C. H. Sundstrom; 1928, J. N. Burdell.

(d) PLAN OF CONFERENCE EXAMINATIONS

F. AHNLUND:

Det muntliga foredragets konst.
(1) A Book on Evangelism.
(2) Methodistkyrkans historia.
(3) Pastoral and Personal Evangelism.
(4) The Religions of Mankind.

K. O. BERGLUND:

General History.
(1) New Testament History.
(2) The Graded Sunday School in Principle and Practice.
(3) Essay: Forsoningen.
(4) Outline of Christian Theology.

J. N. BURDELL:

The Meaning of Prayer.
(2) American History.
(3) The Bible in the Making.
(4) Essay: Svenska Metodism i Amerika.

F. A. LUNDBERG:

Kyrko-ordningen.
(1) Kyrkohistoria.
(2) The Pupil and the Teacher.
(3) Paul and His Epistles.
(4) The Church and Industrial Reconstruction.

J. H. LEVEDAHL:

English Grammar.
(1) Essay: Kristendomen och den sociala fragan.
(2) The Christian View of the Old Testament.
(3) Antropoligi.
(4) Religious Filosofi.

A. E. LIND:

(1) Selections from the Writings of the Rev John Wesley, M. A.
(2) Vittra Skrifter.
(3) Good Ministers of Jesus Christ.

C. E. MAGNUSON:

Svensk Spraklara.
(1) Jerusalem.
(2) Essay: Nattvarden.
(3) Life of Phillips Brooks.
(4) Missionary Morale.

C. H. SUNDSTROM:

Trosartiklarne.
(1) Manual of Teacher Training.
(2) The Work of Preaching.
(3) Beacon Lights of Prophecy.
(4) Studies in Christianity.

PASTORAL RECORD

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Ahnlund, Francis	E.	1879	Bollnäs, Sweden	1913	Western Swed.	1913
Andrews, J. R.	R.	1851	Sweden	1878	N. W. Swedish	*
Berglund, K. O.	E.	1867	Vermland, Sweden	1893	Puget Sound	*
Bjork, D. K.	S.		Stockholm, Sweden		Central Swed.	1916
Burdell, J. N.	E.	1876	Sweden	1903	Puget Sound	*
Cederburg, C. A.	R.	1858	Sweden	1885	New England	1912
Dahlin, Patrik N.	D.	1898	Sweden	1926	Pac. Swed. Mission	1926
Farrell, And.	R.	1852	Vestmanland, Sweden	1882	N. W. Swedish	*
Johnson, J.	R.	1855	Vermland, Sweden	1890	N. W. Swedish	*
Kallstedt, G. E.	R.	1868	östergötland, Sweden	1890	California	*
Levedahl, J. H.	E.	1867	Gottland, Sweden	1894	North. Swedish	*
Lind, A. E.	S.	1870	Småland, Sweden		North. Swedish	1908
Lundberg, F. A.	E.	1875	Hallsberg, Sweden	1897	Austin	1927
Magnuson, C. E.	E.	1887	Sweden	1913	North. Swedish	1924
Nelson, Gustav A.	E.	1869	Sweden	1913	North Swedish	1926
Ostrom, O. W.	R.	1869	Afton, Minn.	1891	N. W. Swedish	*
Ovall, John	S.	1863	Elfsborgs Län, Sweden	1891	Austin, Tex.	*
Sundstrom, C. H.	E.	1874	Nerike, Sweden	1899	North Swedish	1919
Selin, Bertil W.	D.	1901	Finland	1924	Central Swedish	1926
Wahlberg, J. O.	E.	1854	Sweden	1884	Austin, Tex.	*
Wallin, Aug.	R.	1855	Dalsand, Sweden	1884	Austin, Tex.	*
Willman, J. A.	E.	1866	Sweden	1896	North. Swedish	*

XI

MINUTES OF THE LAYMEN'S ASSOCIATION

TOPICS FOR THE LAYMEN'S CONFERENCE

PORTLAND, ORE., SEPT. 1 - 3, 1927

1. Advise the best method we can pursue to support the motion of the Pacific Swedish Misison Conference to join with the Southern California Conference. It is granted that it is the wisest plan before us at this time.

   Delegate from San Francisco, Calif.

2. Resolved that most of the subjects proposed by the chosen Editors of the Epworth Leaguers for the Devotional Meeting on Sunday evenings are not suitable to be handled by the young people. Therefore, should not a committee be appointed to supply proper subjects from time to time to be discussed by the Epworth Leaguers in our Conference at their Sunday meetings?

   Delegate from Spokane, Wash.

3. Our Wesley Academy: How can our Conference help this institution, and how can the Wesley Academy help our Conference?

   Delegate from Kingsburg, Calif.

4. Our Church Papers: Best method to place "Sandebudet" and one of our "Coast Advocates," or both, in every home wtihin our Conference.

   Delegate from Los Angeles, Calif.

5. Conference Pension Fund: Have we done all we can towards the increase of the Conference Pension Fund, or what more should we do?

   Delegate from Pasadena, Calif.

6. Methodist Brotherhood: Should Methodist Brotherhoods be organized in all our churches?

   Delegate from Berkeley, Calif.

7. World Service: How can the Laymen best co-operate with the Pastors in the World Service work?

   Delegate from Portland, Oregon.

8. Lay Representation: Should Laymen have equal representation with the Pastors in the Annual Conference?

   Delegate from Mount Vernon, Wash.

9. Conference Evangelist: Should we have a Conference Evangelist regularly appointed, and if so, how should he be supported?

   Delegate from Seattle, Wash.

10. The Budget System: Best method to make the Budget System effective in our local churches.

    Delegate from Cedarhome, Wash.

11. Increase of Membership: What responsibility should the Laymen assume as regards the "Increase" of membership in our local churches?

    Delegate from Salem, Oregon.

MINUTES OF THE LAYMENS ASSOCIATION

The fourth annual meeting of the Laymens Association of the Pacific Swedish Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church was held in the Salvation Army Hall at the corner of Shaver and Michigan streets in Portland, Ore., September 1 and 2, 1927.

The first session met Thursday at 10:15. Having just attended the devotional exercises held at the Swedish M. E. Church and conducted by Bishop Nicholson, any further preliminaries were dispensed with and in the absence of President J. O. Rudene, who was ill, Vice-President P. M. Paulson called the meeting to order and was appointed as president pro tem. and Henry Brandvig secretary pro tem. The roll was called and the following delegates were present:

Frank A. Peterson, East Stanwood, Wash., Route 2, Box 40.
Axel Carlson, 711 Warren St., Mount Vernon, Wash.
Fred Fredrickson, 20 E. 70th St., Portland, Ore.
Nils Anderson, Portland, Ore.
Mrs. L. Rudie, 508 N. 16th St., Salem, Ore.
Miss Audrea Ipsen, 145 N. 17th St., Salem, Ore.
C. W. Carlson, 3639 34th St. West, Seattle, Wash.
C. I. Johnson, 3426 33rd Ave. West, Seattle, Wash.
Erick Moody, 6254 3rd Ave., Seattle, Wash.
Henry Brandvig, 1330 Lincoln St., Kingsburg, Calif.
Julian Jacobson, 1949 Plumas St., Kingsburg, Calif.
Philip Peterson, Route A, Kingsburg, Calif.
N. M. Johnson, 355 Smith St., Kingsburg, Calif.
Oscar L. Erickson, 72 Newton St., San Francisco, Calif.
P. M. Paulson, 109 Buchanan St., San Francisco, Calif.

The topics for discussion as outlined by the committee were then taken up.

No. 1 was taken up and a very able and interesting paper favoring amalgamation was given by Oscar L. Erickson; also a very able paper containing many historical facts and figures concerning work of our conference was presented by P. M. Paulson. A communication from W. W. Sandholt of Oakland, Cal., a part of which was read to the conference submitting arguments either in favor of or against the topics as the case might be, contributed valuable ideas and information on the subjects for discussion. After discussion by several delegates it was moved by Miss Ipsen and duly seconded, that the Laymens Conference go on record favoring the amalgamation of the Swedish Mission Conference with the Southern California Conference. Motion carried unanimously.

As time would not permit the discussion of all the topics, No. 2 was passed over with the comment that it was hardly suitable for the laymen to criticise our leaders in the work, in this line, and Topic No. 3 was taken up. Henry Brandvig opened the discussion followed by a number of others. It was pointed out that the school is in a precarious condition owing to the lack of funds and patronage. Upon motion it was voted that we resolve as laymen to give Wesley Academy our most hearty support both morally and financially. It was agreed upon that the afternoon session be omitted

in order that the delegates be permitted to attend the Ministerial Conference.

Topic No. 10 was then opened up by Brother Frank Peterson by reading a paper on the subject in the Swedish language. Discussion followed by the following brethren: Oscar Erickson, Nils Anderson, P. M. Paulson and Henry Brandvig. Moved by Oscar Erickson and seconded by Nils Anderson that we as a Lay Conference recommend the budget system as being the best and most business-like method to pursue in our financial planning. Motion carried.

Topic No. 11 was taken up and discussion led by Miss Ipsen followed by P. M. Paulson, Henry Brandvig and Mrs. L. Rudie. While no formal action was taken, it was agreed that this question was one of the most important questions and that we as laymen can do much both by word and deed to aid the pastor in this vital question of an increase of membership in our various churches, and the growth of the Kingdom.

The session was adjourned until 9:30, September 2nd.

The next session of the Laymens Conference was called at 9:45 by P. W. Paulson, president pro tem, after having attended a spiritual devotional service conducted by the bishop.

The first thing to be taken up at this session was the election of officers for the ensuing year. The following were duly nominated and unanimously elected:

President, Julian Jacobson, Kingsburg, Calif.
Secretary, Oscar L. Erickson, San Francisco, Calif.
Treasurer, Carl G. Anderson, Portland, Ore.

The following were elected vice-presidents: Axel Carlson, Mount Vernon, Wash.; Fred Fredrickson, Portland; Miss Audrea Ipsen, Salem; C. W. Carlson, Seattle; G. Moody, Spokane; G. E. Carlson, Tacoma; E. Peterson, Venersborg; W. W. Sandholt, Berkeley; Henry Brandvig, Kingsburg; C. G. Peterson, Los Angeles; J. Larson, Pasadena; P. M. Paulson, San Francisco.

The brethren then proceeded by taking up the discussion of topic No. 6. Brother Paulson read that part of W. W. Sandholt's paper relative to this topic, and almost every member took a part in the discussion. It was moved and seconded that we recommend, that where there is room for another organization and especially in the larger congregations that Methodist Brotherhoods be organized in order to draw men into the churches and the Kingdom, and thus promote the cause of Christ. Motion carried.

Greetings from the Ministerial Section of the conference were conveyed to the Laymens Conference by Rev. J. H. Levedahl and return greetings were expressed to Rev. Levedahl by P. M. Paulson, president pro tem.

Oscar L. Erickson and Julian Jacobson were appointed a committee on resolutions, to give their report to the full conference. These are the resolutions which were read Sunday afternoon, September 4th, at the Swedish M. E. church:

RESOLUTION

As a Laymens Association of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference, we desire to express:

1. First, our gratitude to God for his wonderful mercies in counting us worthy to serve him in our humble way in the interest of his Kingdom. We count it a great privilege to be co-workers with Christ.

2. We want to express our deepest appreciation to Bishop Thomas Nicholson for his masterful leadership and counsel that we have enjoyed and for the inspiring Bible readings and expositions it has been our joy to attend at the morning devotions.

3. To the pastor, Rev. G. A. Nelson, and his good wife for their untiring efforts in our behalf to provide for our comfort during the session of this conference.

4. To the ladies of the congregation for their splendid hospitality both in their homes and at the church in serving the bountiful meals and providing us with comfortable sleeping quarters in the homes.

5. To the Salvation Army friends for the use of their comfortable church in which to hold our sessions. We pray that God's blessing may be abundantly bestowed upon the lovely people of Portland whom we have learned to love with the love as it is in Jesus Christ Our Lord.

Respectfully Submitted,

Committee on Resolutions:

JULIAN M. JACOBSON,
OSCAR L. ERICKSON.

Topic No. 9 was discussed.

Discussion led by Brother C. W. Carlson from Seattle and followed by the brethren, I. C. Johnson, Erick Moody and several others. It was decided to discuss this topic at the joint session to be held the following day.

Topics No. 4 and 5 were also discussed at the joint session.

Upon motion unanimously adopted it was recommended that the laymen have equal representation with the ministers at the Annual Conferences.

Topic No. 7 was introduced and discussed by Brother Nils Nelson of Portland. Other speakers were P. M. Paulson, C. W. Carlson and Oscar Erickson. No action was taken.

It was moved, seconded and unanimously adopted that the Laymen's Conference hereby express thanks to the publishers of the Oregon Journal and its church editor, Ernest W. Peterson, for reporting the proceedings of our annual conference fully, accurately and justly and for the favorable publicity thus given to our work and our church.

Upon motion the conference was adjourned.

P. M. PAULSON, Pres. Pro Tem.
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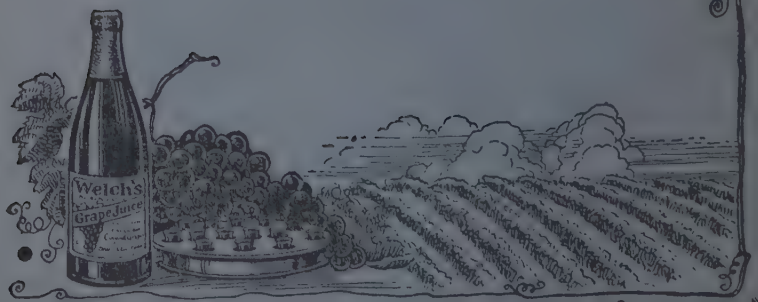

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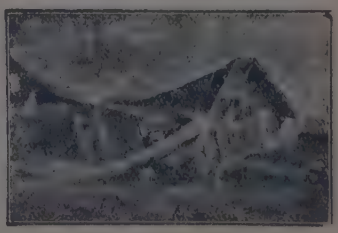

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It is with keen appreciation I look back upon the 15 years it has been my privilege to be one of you. When I came fresh from the Seminary 15 years ago, you received me with such kindness and brotherliness that ungrateful would I be indeed, should I not show the spirit of appreciation. You have proven your confidence in me in various ways, and have given me one responsible position after another, though I had not earned them more than anybody else. Deeply as I regret that our Conference "is no more", it is with exceeding pleasure I think of the past and the most fraternal association we have been permitted to enjoy.

I thank you brethern of the former Southern District. For six years it was my privilege to be in your midst. Our annual gatherings and Conference meetings have been something we have eagerly looked forward to, and such days of fellowship shall never be forgotten. I am sure it has helped to make us more Christ-like. God bless you. Should the opportunities to meet be very few hereafter, may we so live that we all may meet some day at the right hand of our Saviour and Redeemer.

To the brethern of the Northern District (now the Swedish District of the Puget Sound Conference) I want to say a word of appreciation. For nine years we have labored together on our District, the three last of which it has been my privilege to serve as your Superintendent. Your kindness, and your willingness to overlook my shortcomings I appreciate more than words can tell. As we are permitted to continue our relationship as before, at least for the time being, let us be faithful doing the best possible for our Lord Jesus Christ and His Kingdom.

I also want to say a word of thanks to the members of our Swedish Churches, the Quarterly Conferences, and all other organizations within these Churches. May the Lord lead us all toward the "perfect day", when we shall see Him face to face and share His joy forever. Yours in His Service,

Seattle, Wash. FRANCIS AHNLUND

REV. C. H. SUNDSTROM

Superintendent Southern District

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With sincere appreciation of a Beautiful Christian Fellowship, a fine Spirit of Co-operation, and a willingness to overlook my short-comings and mistakes—all of which I have enjoyed in my associations with the members of the former Pacific Swedish Mission Conference, and especially with the members and Quarterly Conferences of the Southern District, with whom I had the pleasure of being a co-worker as District Superintendent during the last two and one half years. I am

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Laymen's Association

The last issue of the Journal of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference is hereby sent out, and the writer—a Methodist almost his whole life and greatly interested in the Swedish Methodist work on the Pacific Coast—desires this opportunity to say "FAREWELL" to our now dissolved Lay and Annual Conference, and to thank all its members and friends for pleasant fellowship and for the enjoyable co-operation we have had in years past.

"Farewell"

By P. M. Paulson, Pres., Laymen's Association

FIRST of all I want to thank all the Pastors, who so faithfully have labored for the upbuilding of God's Kingdom amongst our Swedish American Methodist people. We have always been the best of friends, even at times when our personal opinion may have differed. This friendship will endure until the end of time and shall prove victorious in the hour of death.

SECONDLY I want to thank the laymen with whom it has been my privilege for these years to try to work out some of our problems. We sure have felt the inspiration of the best fellowship men could ever enjoy—that of Christian brotherhood. Divided amongst three English speaking Conferences as we now are and will be, let us nevertheless keep the fellowship at least in spirit. Though divided in one sense there need be no division of interest. Our common task will remain the same in the future as in the past, and we will have our task and our institutions the same as heretofore.

THE WRITER ventures to offer a few suggestions, to-wit: Let us support more earnestly our paper, the Sandebudet, which is our only Swedish Methodist paper in America and an indispensable link between Swedish Methodist folk throughout the land. We cannot afford to do without it; and never forget to subscribe and read our "Advocates."

Let us remember our only Swedish Methodist School for the preparation of Ministers. Wesley Academy and Theological Seminary in Evanston, Ill., should be on our prayer list and should have an interest in our pocketbook.

Let us be faithful in our Church attendance on Sundays, both morning and evening, not forgetting the prayer meeting week nights. We cannot expect others to attend unless we ourselves are present.

Let us remember our obligations to God, to the Church, and to our fellowmen, home and foreign missions. Let us pray much and pray well! That will help solve many a hard problem.

May we also appreciate and support the entire program of our Bishops, District Superintendents and our Pastors, remembering that "in unity there is strength." We cannot afford to lose.

Above everything else let us be Christians in the fullest sense of that mighty word. Only by being true Christians can we be good Methodists, but we are Christians in the first place and Methodists in the second place. Only in Christ we are saved: "For there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

Thanking you one and all, I remain yours in the interest of Swedish American Methodism and in the service of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

P. M. PAULSON.

109 Buchanan St., San Francisco, Calif., in January, 1929.

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I.

HISTORY OF
SWEDISH METHODISM ON THE PACIFIC COAST

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The following "Historical Sketch" is printed by order of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference prior to its dissolution, Rev. Francis Ahnlund being elected to compile these "Sketches", and they appear here very much the same as the various Pastors have sent them to the Compiler.

Swedish Methodism on the Pacific Coast dates back to the year 1873, when in the Howard Street Methodist Episcopal Church in San Francisco, Calif., a Scandinavian Class was formed, comprising a little band of Swedish and Norwegian people, who had for some time attended that Church. This Class was organized as a separate body, Sept. 27th, 1875, and launched out as a Scandinavian Church. (The Norwegian friends left after a short while and organized work of their own). The Swedish Methodist Church in San Francisco is therefore the "Mother" of Swedish Methodism on the Pacific Coast, and from her have come the many "Children" represented by various Swedish Methodist Churches in California, some even in Oregon and Washington. Swedish Methodism here can therefore now look back on a fruitful career of not less than 55 years.

It may not be out of place to mention just briefly the rise of Swedish Methodism in United States. Its founder was the Rev. Olof Hedstrom, born in Sweden, May 11th, 1803. He arrived in New York in 1825, and in a short time established himself as a merchant in Pittsville, Pa. He was converted in July 1829, three weeks after his marriage to Miss Caroline Pinckney, a warm and true-hearted christian woman. His conversion took place in Dr. Phoebus' Church in New York, which Church he visited at the invitation of his wife. He received not only the assurance of full salvation but also the call to be a Minister of the Lord Jesus Christ. Four years later he set his face toward his native country, filled with a burning desire to bring his own relatives to Christ. He brought his parents to Christ in a little while, and influenced his brother John so greatly that he also later became Hedstrom's associate in the Gospel amongst the Swedish people in America. Returning to America, Hedstrom began his ministry in earnest and entered on probation the New York Conference in the year 1835. He preached exclusively to English speaking congregations because the Swedish immigrants were as yet so few, that a mission amongst them seemed almost of no need. For 10 years Hedstrom gave his service to the English speaking population. It might be of interest to know that the great man of God, Dr. Daniel Steele, was one of Hedstrom's converts. Dr. Steele's parents lived in the next house to Hedstrom in 1841, and Hedstrom said one day to Daniel, who was then 16 years of age: "I expect to see you converted to God before I leave this field." He had the joy of leading the young man to Christ before he moved to another place. During this period he served on a circuit with 18 preaching places, with but one Preacher as his assistant. Concerning Rev. Hedstrom's life and work, Dr. Steele said: "Gladly I raise my voice together with the great multitude of Swedish Methodists saying: 'Praise be the Lord Jesus Christ for Olof G. Hedstrom and his ministry'".

In the year 1844 some few Christian friends began to write Hedstrom regarding a Mission for the Swedish immigrants, who began to arrive in greater numbers to New York, but he was hesitant in the matter, saying that to him: "It looked as dark as a pocket." A young business man, Mr. George T. Cobb, having this matter warmly on his heart gave $50.00 towards the Mission, and the subscription was continued. Another business man, Mr. William G. Roggs, together with a few other members of the Asbury Methodist Episcopal Church in New York bought the ship, "Henry Seeds", anchored in the North River. The name of this ship was changed to "The Bethel Ship John Wesley". The matter of the Mission was brought to Hedstrom at the annual session of the New York Conference, which convened in May 1845, but Hedstrom was yet uncertain. In company with Dr. David Terry, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Missions, Hedstrom visited one of his countrymen, Mr. Peter Bergner, and in his home they talked the matter over. They prayed and cried, and Hedstrom received the assurance that the Mission was of God destined to be his future field. He said: "I believe it is from God; and if appointed by the Bishop, I am willing to accept the Mission". He was appointed for "The North River Mission", and held his first sermon in Swedish, Whit Sunday, May 25th, 1845. This was the beginning of Swedish Methodism in America, and from this beginning has come 4 Annual Conferences and 2 Mission Conferences with a membership of about 20 thousand. (Recently the Southern Swedish Mission Conference (in Texas), and the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference have amalgamated with English speaking Conferences, and 3 Swedish Annual Conferences, the Central, the Northern, and the Western, have united into one Annual Conference (1928) under the name of The Central Northwest Conference).

From the "Bethel Ship" Methodism amongst the Swedish people spread from the Atlantic to the Pacific, but not in America only was the influence of Hedstrom's work felt. It crossed the Ocean and the whole of Scandinavia felt its impact. Men of God, converted onboard the "Bethel Ship", went to their homeland preaching the Christ they had found in America under Hedstrom's ministry. One of these men, the Rev. O. P. Peterson, became one of Norway's greatest Methodist Preachers. But who can tell the extent of Hedstrom's ministry and influence? Thousands of people both inside as well as outside the Methodist family have him to thank as being the one through whom they have found Christ, and of this great host thousands are now in the various American Methodist Churches, while others are found in the several Swedish Denominations. The little seed planted 83 years ago has grown to a mighty tree, the branches of which have brought comfort to hundreds, yea thousands, of weary souls.

Rev. Hedstrom passed away happy in the Lord, May 5th, 1877, at an age of 74 years, and was buried two days later from the St. Pauls Methodist Episcopal Church in New York. Thanks be to God for such a witness as Olof G. Hedstrom.

As Church upon Church was organized by Swedish Methodists on the Pacific Coast, they affiliated with Engish speaking Conferences, the work in Oregon and Washington being part of the Puget Sound Conference, while the work in California belonged to the California Conference. This continued to 1908, when, by an enabeling act of the General Conference of that year, the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference was organized by Bishop Henry W. Warren. This event took place in the Swedish Methodist Church in Oakland, Calif.

After twenty years, or in 1928, it was thought best to disolve the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference and amalgamate with the English speaking Conferences, the various Churches to join the Conferences within whose boundaries they are located. This was done at the Conference session held in Los Angeles, Calif., Sept. 20th to 23rd, 1928. Invitation to amalgamate had previously been received from the Southern California Conference, the California Conference, and the Puget Sound Confrenc.

FIRST SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, San Francisco, California

Methodism had its birth in the heart of one man, John Wesley, when at a little meeting in Alders Gate, London, he heard the reading of Martin Luther's exposition of St. Paul's Doctrine of justification by faith. Swedish Methodism on the Pacific Coast has it birth in the hearts of a few men and women of Scandinavian birth who had come to this city while it was yet young and whose hearts had been touched and warmed by the grace and power of God. They had joined the Howard Street Methodist Church, whose pastor at that time was Dr. F. F. Jewell.

These Scandinavians became missionaries to their own people living round about them and soon a separate class was formed under the counsel and leadership of the pastor. J. A. Bergner, who in the mean time had arrived and joined this group, was appointed leader. This happened during the year 1873. After two years of steady and uninterrupted growth, the class became large enough so that its members began thinking of an independently organized church. This momentous step was taken on the 27th day of September, 1875, after much thought and prayer together with the wise counsel of Dr. Jewell. The name given to this new organization was "The First Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church of San Francisco." The chairman having charge of this notable and momentous occasion was none other than Bishop Jesse T. Peck, a man large of body and large of soul. The number of persons becoming the charter members in this new organization is said to have been about seventy five. Among them was Mr. and Mrs. A. Anderson, members of the old Oak Street church of Chicago, who had come to San Francisco on their honeymoon trip. They fell in love with the city by the Golden Gate and remained here for the rest of their lives.

The first place of worship was on Harrison Street between 5th and 6th Streets. It was a large hall and this became not only the religious but also the social center for the Scandinavian people and was used for more than seven years. J. H. Bergner, mentioned above, was the leader in charge of the organization during the first year. In the fall of 1876, the church welcomed its first pastor, the Rev. Eric Shogren, a member of the Northwest Swedish Conference. Earlier of the same year he had visited San Francisco, recognized its importance as a field of labor and its possibilities for the future and so accepted the invitaton to become pastor of the new church. According to historical data gathered by Rev. Francis Ahnlund, J. H. Bergner's earthly life closed shortly after the arrival of Rev. Shogren. With the arrival of the new pastor, the young church began to move forward with great strides. Many were converted during his ministry. The membership grew and a strong congregation was built up. Unfortunately, however, we are unable to give statistics of that early day and of the ministry of this powerful and eloquent man of God as all records relating thereto were destroyed by fire in 1906. Rev.

Shogren closed his pastorate of nearly five years in 1881. His daughter, Mrs. Emma Shogren Farman of Napa, Calif., still watches with keenest interest, the progress of Swedish Methodism on the Pacific Coast.

But other things were destined to happen in the new and fast growing church. In 1877, the Swedish Mission Church was organized and quite a number who were not doctrinally Methodists withdrew to join the church of their own denomination. Another exodus came a little later when the Norwegians and Danes who constituted a large percentage of the membership at this time, withdrew and organized what is now the Norwegian-Danish Methodist Church. In the year 1889, the Swedish Baptist Church was organized and in 1882 the Swedish Lutheran Ebenezer Church and at each of these occasions the mother church contributed of her life and blood to make the new churches possible.

In the fall of 1881, C. J. Wigren became the second pastor of the church. For several months the church had been without a pastor and had suffered greatly in consequence. Rev. Wigren's pastorate was four years and during this time a lot was purchased on Howard Street between 8th and 9th, a church building was purchased from the Seventh Day Adventists, moved to the lot and so for the first time the Swedish Methodist congregation of San Francisco worshipped under its own roof tree.

Rev. Wigren was succeeded in 1885 by Rev. O. Gunderson, who served the church two years to be followed by J. R. Andrews the theologian, philosopher, preacher and pastor. A word of commendation should be given Mrs. J. R. Andrews who by her sacrifice of self, devotion to Christ and the church, helped in no small way to make the five year pastorate of J. R. Andrews the brightest period in the history of this church. Great crowds came to the services, the membership rose to the highest number at any time before or since, the church building was added to and improved, the Sunday School had remarkable success and the impress made upon the community was favorable and lasting.

In those days, Methodist ministers were limited to five years in a charge and so in the fall of 1892, Andrews was succeeded by J. O. Wahlberg, the man with the smile. In that year a Swedish District within the bounds of the California Conference was organized. For three years he labored in this church and at the close of his pastorate, the church reported about 100 members in full connection and probationers. Remarkable indeed is this report after the little church had given life and blood to four other Scandinavian churches. In 1885 C. A. Anderson was appointed pastor to be followed in 1897 by J. R. Andrews, who returned for a second time. After two years he was followed again by J. O. Wahlberg, who also returned for a second pastorate of three years. In 1902 Dr. A. Hallen became the pastor for one year during which time $1100.00 was paid on the mortgage and many new members added to the church. He was followed by O. W. Ostrom from Minnesota. After a year and a half the church was left again without a pastor and must suffer in its work accordingly. In September 1905, the veteran of the California Conference, L. Dahlgren, by special request of the district superintendent, came to serve the church. Things were just beginning to look bright and hopeful for the pastor and the congregation, when earthquake and fire destroyed a great part of the city of San Francisco. The result of this catastrophy was terrible not only to the city, but to all the churches that were located within the fire-swept area. This church suffered a severe blow. The church, furniture, books and records were all gone and worst of all the tradegy sent people away from the city most of whom never returned. However the spirit of

heroism and daring was not lacking and before the fall a temporary chapel had been erected on the site where the dear old church had stood. This little chapel was dedicated in July of 1906. The building committee was Rev. L. Dahlgren, A. Anderson and Herman Ringholm. The total cost of the structure was $910.00.

In the fall of 1906, the district superintendent, J. O. Wahlberg, secured J. H. Levedahl to come to San Francisco. Without a parsonage or other accomodations for a pastor's family, he left his family behind and came to begin work with the little sorely tried congregation. Work was begun on a parsonage and completed at a great deal of sacrifice on the part of both pastor and people, so that in the fall of 1906, Rev. Levedahl brought his family to the new home.

In the winter of 1908 and 1909, it having become increasingly evident that we must move to another location, the property on Howard Street was sold for $10,000.00. A committee consisting of C. W. Carlson, F. W. Olson, C. E. Beckman and the pastor, after considerable investigation, bought the corner of Guerrero and Camp Streets, where the church is now located, for $8,000.00. On the 20th day of June 1909 with $1500 in the treasury to begin building operations with, with a congregation depleted by earthquake and fire and with the pastor traveling through Swedish Methodism in the east and middlewest raising money for the new enterprise, the corner stone was layed with some fear, possibly with some doubt, but also with a great amount of faith in the God of Isreal. Mr. Nels Johnson, a member of the board of trustees, was placed in charge of the building enterprise and to him belongs the credit of the well built and well arranged church. During nearly half a year the pastor, J. H. Levedahl, was away on his money raising tour. During that time Dr. Albert Hallen served the church giving his time and service without cost. In the fall of 1909 the basement portion was completed and services were held through the winter and the spring of 1910.

The Pacific Swedish Mission Conference was to convene in San Francisco in September 1910. To that end it was decided to complete the church. On Sunday Sept. 11th, 1910, in the presence of the conference, Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes, dedicated the new church, just completed, to the service and worship of Almighty God. It was a day of great rejoicing to that noble band of faithful Christian men and women. A new church, a new parsonage with an extra flat, altogether valued at $25,000.00 or more and with an indebtedness of less than $3,000.00 surely they had cause to rejoice. The counselors and members of the board were those already named together with Carl Sandstrom, P. M. Paulson, A. G. Nelson, O. L. Erickson and John Dahlman.

From the fall of 1912 to the fall of 1913, A. J. Gustafson, retired member of the California Conference, served the church. In October 1913, Rev. Francis Ahnlund with his bride came to the Swedish Methodist Church by the Golden Gate. With energy, enthusiasm and tact, he took hold of the work in this unusually hard field. In six years he won and held the hearts of the people both in and out of the congregation and the remaining indebtedness of $3,000 was paid up. In 1919 C. J. Wells, a hard worker and friend of everybody, began a three year pastorate. Those who know him best know that if his efforts did not meet with any large degree of success, it was not for lack of effort or good will on his part. In the fall of 1922, J. H. Levedahl began his second term as pastor of the church. This was to be for five years, and in the fall of 1927, he was succeeded by C. E. Magnuson.

In a sketch as concise and brief as space makes imperative, it is unnecessary to say that everything cannot be told. The names, service, sacrifice and loyalty of individual members of the church through all these years cannot be recorded. God records that. This is the mother church not only of Swedish Methodism, but as far as we know is the first Swedish church of any denomination in the state of California. May her future as her past have the benediction of God Almighty and may through her ministry many wanderers be brought back to the Father's house.

SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Kingsburg, California

On April 18, 1888 Rev. J. R. Andrews organized into a class the following twelve members: Christina and Carolina Hammar, Frank and Maria Hanson, Peter and Anna Lindquist, Hans and Christina Larson, Franz D. and Hannah Rosendahl, John and Ellen Skonberg. During the passing of the years this little group, seed sown in fertile ground, has multiplied until now the church membership is 340, the Sunday School enrollment is 300, the Epworth League 50, and other organizations are correspondingly strong. The following list shows the clergymen and their respective years of service with the local church:

J. R. Andrews	
E. G. Rosendahl	Sept. 1888—Sept. 1889
F. U. Lilgren	Sept. 1889—Sept. 1890
Ludvig Dahlgren	Sept. 1890—Sept. 1891
E. A. Davidson	Sept. 1891—Sept. 1893
N. G. Nelson	Sept. 1893—Sept. 1898
Ludvig Dahlgren	Sept. 1898—Sept. 1899
J. R. Andrews	Sept. 1899—Sept. 1904
Martinus Nelson	Sept. 1904—April 1905
G. E. Kallstedt	May 1905—Sept. 1910
O. F. Linstrum	Oct. 1910—Sept. 1912
J. H. Levedahl	Sept. 1912—Sept. 1915
C. A. Cederberg	Sept. 1915—Sept. 1919
C. H. Sundstrom	Sept. 1919—

The present church was built during the years 1891-1893, during the pastorage of E. A. Davidson, valued at $3500.00.

Having no parsonage, the congregation during the year 1900, bought four blocks in the center of the city and reselling three of these realized enough money to clear the fourth block, on which was a two story house, and enough over to make necessary improvements on the house and church.

This house served as a parsonage until 1906, when the present parsonage was built, during the pastorage of G. E. Kallstedt. At this time initial steps were also taken in the laying of concrete sidewalks around the parsonage and church.

A noteworthy improvement was made in the year 1911, during the ministry of O. F. Linstrum, when the church was enlarged and renovated.

The events which have occurred, in recent years and especially the last ten years, during the pastorage of C. H. Sundstrom, are the purchase and installation of a large pipe organ, and substantial improvements to the church which is partly paid for.

The following items are of interest as indicating the work of the church during the past forty years: Members received total 745. Benevolences. $66.981.00; Running expenses. $39.599.00; Pastors support. $38.609.00; Buildings and improvements, 26,918.00; Total $172,107.00.

The spiritual value of the church to the community cannot be measured but every resident is conscious of it.

At the last conference session the Pacific Swedish conference was dissolved and this church became a part of the Southern California conference and the little group organized into a class forty years ago has developed into a strong organization which is now known as the Kingsburg Methodist Episcopal Church.

FIRST SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Los Angeles, California

As early as 1887 a little band of devoted christian men and women met in the homes for Bible reading and prayer, and with a deep soul hunger for the presence of God. One of the number, Mrs. Alexander Larson, who had lately come from Texas, where she had come in contact with Swedish Methodism and pioneer Swedish Methodist preachers, urged the little company to form a class and send for a preacher. With one accord they sent for Rev. August Peterson, who then held a pastorate in Texas. He arrived promptly, and on Christmas Day, 1887, the First Methodist Church of Los Angeles was organized with eight members. These were Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Paulson, Mrs. Alexander Larson, Miss Sophie Olson (now Mrs. Carlson in San Francisco), N. Hultin and John Martin. From this small beginning the plant has grown, cared for by weary hands often toiling in the night, and watered by the tears of faithful hearts until we have the present fruitage of the tree still growing Godward. Surely the increase is from God, and made possible by the sacrifices of Godly men and women.

Shortly after the organization a lot was bought at 8th street and San Julian, on which a small structure 24x24 was erected, which served both as meeting house and parsonage. During the pastorate of J. R. Andrews this property was sold and a lot bought at 7th and Los Angeles. A church on Temple and New High Streets was purchased and moved on to this lot. In order to put it in proper condition, a loan was taken for which Bro. N. J. Peterson placed his own home in mortgage. This lot was sold during Rev. J. H. Levedahl's pastorate for $3500.00. (In 1923 that same property was sold for $2485.00 per front foot.) and the lot on 15th and Los Angeles Street was bought and the church was again moved, renovated and a seven room parsonage added. During Rev. J. O. Wahlberg's second term an addition was made to it, opera chairs were installed, the mortgage wiped out, and the property was left without debt.

During the able leadership of succeeding pastors the work went steadily forward, but a growing city with its business section expanding until it threatened to engulf the church made it necessary to look around for a new building site. During Rev. C. G. Emanuel's term a subscription of $5.000.00 was taken for a new prospective church, and when Rev. Peter Munson succeeded him the question was approached in earnest. The old church site was sold for $26,000.00. A lot was purchased at Union Ave. and Fourteenth street and plans were drawn up for a new and well-equipped and modern church building. The last service in the old church was held May 27, 1923, and the work on the new church was immediately

begun. The corner stone was laid Aug. 19th, of the same year, and, thanks to a splendid Building Committee, and Mr. Nels Anderson as builder, the new church was ready for dedication the following spring. With great joy and thanksgiving it was dedicated March 30, 1924, by Bishop William O. Shepard, who also took a subscription to the amount of $9,250.00, leaving an indebtedness of only about $15,000.00. Last year, 1927-28, the debt was reduced to $9,500.00. The present church, valued conservatively, at $65,000.00 is an honor to the Swedish people of the city and a monument to loyal men and women who have stood true to Christ and His cause in the face of many difficulties and oftentimes seeming defeat. Preachers and pastors, devout and true, men of God always, have toiled and labored, at times defeated, but never conquered; and members of the church, equally loyal and true, have worked and labored in hope with their eyes on Him whom they have not seen, yet love. And the work has not been in vain.

Of the Charter members, five are still living and doing good work for the Master: Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Paulson, SanFrancisco; Mrs. Alexander Larson, Redondo; Mrs. Sophie Carlson, SanFrancisco; and Mr. N. J. Peterson, still an honored member of the church he helped to organize, and a local preacher of many year's standing. As a happy coincident it might be worthy of mention that Rev. August Petersen came all the way from Brooklyn, N. Y., to be present at the dedication of the new church, and now resides in Los Angeles and visits our services quite frequently. It must be a joy to these our friends to see how the church has grown from th meagre beginning to its present proportions. "This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes".

The church has sent two men into the ministry: Rev. Algot Wilson, and Rev. Arthur Wahlquist. At the end of his pastorate here Rev. G. A. Werner went as a missionary to South America. The present membership is 229.

The following pastors have served the church: August Peterson, founder, 1887-1888; J. O. Wahlberg, 1888-1892; J. R. Andrews, 1892-1897; C. A. Anderson, 1897-1898; J. H. Levedahl, 1898-1900; August Wallin, 1900-1902; J. O. Wahlberg, second term, 1902-1908; A. G. Werner, 1908-1912; Gustaf Lindstrom, 1912- 1915; O. F. Linstrum, 1915-1918; C. G. Emanuel, 1918-1922; Peter Munson, 1922-1924; C. E. Magnuson, 1924-1927; F. A. Lundberg, 1927-

It was said of old that "The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church". That is still true. We are living in a new day, in a new world. New conditions confront us everywhere. But God is "the same, yesterday, today, and forever". He does not change. And the heart remains the same. There is still the "shedding of blood without which there is no remission of sin". May a younger generation, the sons and daughters of the pioneers, carry to completion the work the fathers and mothers so nobly began. And may the "God of Hosts be with us yet, Lest we forget, Lest we forget".

THE SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Oakland and Berkeley, California

In 1878 a Scandinavian class of Methodist folk was organized in Oakland, Calif., by Rev. Eric Shogren, Pastor of the Swedish Methodist Church in San Francisci. This organization was to be a missionary project of the San Francisco Church. Mr. Chas. Erickson and John Thomp-

son were the original class leaders, and in 1882 Rev. And. Farrell became the shepherd of the flock for a time. In 1883 the Norwegian and Swedish groups separated, and in 1884 the first formal Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church was organized, and at the Conference session of 1885 the first Pastor was appointed. This appointment was later altered, and Rev. J. P. Sandholt became the first Minister of the new church. In 1886 the first church building at 10th and Center Streets was dedicated, and in 1897 a fine property at 13th and Market Street was secured. There a new church home was established. In 1922, after four decades of useful service, the congregation decided to unite with the Berkeley Swedish Methodist Episcopal church.

Several Methodist people from San Francisco and also from Oakland moved to the beautiful city of Berkely and established new homes. In 1912 this group decided to organize in a class and to hold religious services as far as possible. The first service was held Dec. 8th, 1912. Rev. O. F. Lintrum, then Pastor in Oakland served as often as he could, visiting the Berkeley friends on Sunday afternoons. In 1914 the work was organized formally as a congregation, and Rev. Abel Eklund, a returned Missionary, appointed Pastor. A hall at 2517, Shattuck Ave. had been used by the friends for some time, and continued to be their Church home until 1920, when a fine and splendid Church property was secured at Woolsey and Fremont Streets, the cost being $7,500.00, and estimated to be only half of the real value. This was indeed a splendid buy. In 1922 the congregation in Oakland decided to join with the Berkeley congregation, and since that time the two congregations have been one. The united Church now possesses one of the finest Swedish Methodist proprtis on the coast. An excellent parsonage was built in 1925.

The following pastors have served since the Church was organized: Rev. Abel Eklund, (1914-1916), Rev. D. K. Bjork (1916-1921), Rev. A. E. Lind (1921-1924), Rev. Alf. Ahlfeldt (1924-1925), Rev. Peter Munson (1925-1926), Rev. B. W. Selin (1926- to the present time). Rev. O. F. Linstrum served for a couple of years before the formal organization.

SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Pasadena, California

In the year of 1897 Rev. C. A. Anderson, then Pastor of the Swedish Methodist Church in Los Angeles, began to hold Swedish services in Pasadena, gathering together the few Swedish young people, who at that time worked and lived in the city. The German Methodist Church was used for these services. Rev. Anderson moved from Los Angeles in the fall of 1898, and he was succeeded by Rev. J. H. Levedahl who also continued to hold services in Pasadena every Tuesday evening. During the winter of 1899 the meetings were moved to the Congregational Church on Columbia St., Rev. Levedahl moved from Los Angeles in 1900 and was succeeded by Rev. Aug. Wallin. During his ministry the meetings in Pasadena were discontinued, but revived again when Rev. J. O. Wahlberg became Pastor in Los Angeles. He undertook the work in earnest in Pasadena and in the fall of 1906 the congregation was organized with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Gustafson, Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Carlson, and Miss Ida Nelson as charter members. The services were removed to a hall on No. Fair Oak Ave. and Union Street, and Rev. Martinus Nelson became the first pastor for the new congregation. He

served five months when Rev. J. B. Anderson was appointed and remained Pastor for a year and a half. In the fall of 1908 Rev. J. O. Wahlberg was appointed to Pasadena and set out to secure a lot for a permanent building. Such a lot was selected at E. Villa St. and Summit Ave., at a cost of about 3,000.00. There the present fine church was erected in 1909 for an amount of about $6,000.00. All the money necessary to finance the purchase of both lot and the erection of the church building was raised and paid during the four years' pastorate of Rev. Wahlberg. When Rev. Wahlberg was appointed District Superintendent in the fall of 1912, Rev. G. E. Kallstedt succeeded him as pastor of the Pasadena Church and served with great efficiency during a period of five years. In 1917 Rev. C. W. Bergquist became Pastor in Pasadena, and he gave to the congregation ten fruitful years of fine service. During his pastorate the splendid parsonage was purchased (1919), worth about $4,000.00 at that time. The membership was also materially increased. In 1927 Rev. J. H. Levedahl, the present pastor, was appointed to Pasadena.

FIRST SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Seattle, Wash.

The First Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church in Seattle, Wash., dates back to 1883 and has its origin in a visit made by Rev. And. Farrell, who preached the first sermon to a group of folk Nov. 14th the same year. Nov. 30th the congregation was organized with seven members, and on Dec. 30th the First Quarterly Conference was held, at which time it was reported a membership of 11. Soon after an lot was bought on 5th Ave., between Pine and Pike Sts., for a sum of $600.00 (this lot is now in the heart of the business section and the price of it is soaring sky-high). In 1885 the new Church building was completed.

In this building the congregation continued to worship for a period of 20 years, or until 1905, when it was considered that the location as well as the environment was not suitable to a progressive church. A committee was appointed to put the property for sale at $25,000.00, which was considered a good price at that time, and to buy a new location. According to Minutes of the Board of Trustees at that time, this committee reported at a meeting held June 7th, 1905, that the old property was sold for the price set, and that two new lots had been bought on the N. E. corner of Boren Ave. and Pine St., at a price of $10,000.00. The erection of the new church building was started, and in November the congregation could take possession of their new home. The cost of construction was $7,871.00, but with all equipments, commissions involved in the deal, furnishings, etc., the total amount expended including the cost of the lots, was about $22,000.00. One half of the two lots was sold for a sum of $4,500.00, which together with the $25,000.00 realized on the old property, gave the congregation a total amount of $29,500.00. This would leave a balance over the cost of the new property of some $7,000.00, but owing to several incidental expenses there remained, when everything was paid, an amount of $5,004.50, which was placd in the Bank as a fund for which a parsonage later was to be built. Only in December the following year (1906) the city ordered the streets regraded. The city awarded $2,035.20 damage to the congregation since the church had to be raised 12 feet and moved back 7 feet. During the summer of 1908 this work was done. This whole enterprise cost the congregation $14,324.31, which, with the amount already on

hand plus the sum received from the city, still left an indebtedness of some $7,284.61. This was a heavy burden for the congregation, but the friends carried on heroically, and on Thanksgiving day, Nov. 30th, 1922, the congregation could celebrate its 39th anniversary and at the same time burn the mortgages. Only faithfulness to God and loyalty to the cause could enable our friends to such a praise-worthy deed. The congregation has always stood for the Gospel of full and free salvation, and in this respect has given more of her attention to the evangelistic work than to anything else. For years seven evangelists have been maintained by the congregation in two distinctive fields in India, besides all other benevolences sponsored by loyal members and friends. Surely the work is not in vain. May the Beacon Light of this church continue to shine for many years to come. The congregation now owns a valuable property near the business center of the city.

The following pastors have served: Rev. And. Farrell, 1883-1886; Dr. O. E. Olander, 1886-1889; Rev. N. G. Nelson, 1889-1891; Rev. J. Johnson, 1891-1895; Dr. O. E. Olander, 1895-1896; Rev. C. J. Kallgren, 1896-1897; Rev. N. G. Barton, 1897- (only three months); Rev. C. O. Freeman, 1897-1898; Rev. E. G. Falk, 1898-1902; Rev. J. H. Levedahl, 1902-1904; Rev. J. Johnson, 1904-1906; Rev. S. Moody, 1906-1910; Rev. O. W. Westling, 1910-1912; Rev. J. N. Burdell, 1912-1915; Rev. J. Bostrom, 1915-1916; Rev. C. G. Westerdahl, 1916-1919; Rev. Franicis Ahnlund 1919, who is the present pastor now for the tenth year.

THE SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Pleasant Ridge, Wash.

The first preacher to visit Pleasant Ridge was Rev. Eric Shogren, then Pastor of the Swedish Methodist Church in San Francisco, Calif., (1876-1881). He came visiting members and friends who had moved up north to establish new homes. While Pastor in Seattle Rev. And. Farrell made several visits to Pleasant Ridge in 1884, and when Dr. O. E. Olander became Pastor in Seattle in 1886 he made regular visits to the friends in Pleasant Ridge. It was also during this time that the congregation was organized. In 1888 Rev. L. Dahlgren was appointed Pastor and stayed only one year, but during that time the Church was erected and dedicated May 20th, 1889. Dr. Olander succeeded Rev. Dahlgren, and during his ministry the parsonage was built. In 1916 the members of the Pleasant Ridge Church and those of the Mount Vernon congregation began to plan for an union involving the purchase of a lot in the latter place and the moving of the Church from Pleasant Ridge to Mount Vernon. This was accomplished during the summer of 1916. The lot and Parsonage in Pleasant Ridge was sold for $500.00, and for this money a lot was bought in Mount Vernon, the Church in Pleasant Ridge was taken down and the material moved to Mount Vernon and there put together again on the lot bought. All this was done for the reasonable sum of only $2,750 thanks to donated labor by many friends and the untiring efforts of Rev. S. Moody, then Pastor in Mount Vernon. The Church was dedicated in Sept. 1916 and the indebtedness fully covered by substantial subscriptions.

The following Pastors have served the Pleasant Ridge congregation: Rev. L. Dahlgren 1888-1889, Rev. O. E. Olander 1889-1892, Rev. S. A. Anderson 1892-1894, Rev. John A. Anderson 1894-1896, Rev. B. Howe 1896-1899, Rev. G. F. West 1899-1900, Rev. C. J. Nelson 1900-1902, Rev. John A. Anderson

1902-1903, Rev. C. I. Johnson 1903-1904, Rev. J. H. Levedahl 1904-1906, Rev. John Johnson 1906-1912, Rev. O. N. Johnson 1912-1915, Rev. O. N. Johnson 1912-1915, Rev. K. J. Starner 1915-1916.

THE SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Mount Vernon, Wash.

Rev. K. O. Berglund started the work amongst the Swedish people in Mount Vernon, visiting there from time to time and holding services. In 1911 the congregation was organized under the leadership of Rev. S. Moody, who rendered the congregation a fine service until 1918. It was during his ministry that the Pleasant Ridge congregation united with that in Mount Vernon and the present Church built and dedicated Sept. 10th, 1916. Rev. J. A. Willman was appointed to Mount Vernon in 1918 and gave four years of faithful and successful service. During his time a splendid Parsonage was added to the property at a value of $3,000.00 (1919). In 1922 Rev. Willman was succeeded by Rev. J. N. Burdell, who is still Pastor of this flourishing Church, and where he has most effectively promoted the welfare of the congregation. The Church young in years has nevertheless gone far toward ministering to our Swedish people in this beautiful and home-like city.

THE SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Spokane, Wash.

The work of the Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church in Spokane, Washington, was started in July, 1894. The first preacher was Rev. Bernt Howe, who came from the Theological Seminary, Evanston, Ill. He rented the German M. E. Church at Fourth and Stevens Street, for Sunday afternoon meetings, and one week day meeting. In September 1894, Rev. K. O. Berglund was sent to Spokane. A hall on Third and Stevens Street was rented, and meetings held regularly. In November, 1895, the hall on Second and Stevens was rented, and there the church was organized, by Rev. O. L. Olander, Presiding Elder, with the following members: Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Gustafson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Newman, Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Linder, Mr. Erick Benson and Rev. and Mrs. K. O. Berglund.

Rev. Berglund had very good success until the Conference in 1896, when he was forced to give up his work because of illness. Rev. J. Easterburg, a local preacher, was appointed pastor, December, 1896, and was in charge until June 3, 1898. On October 26, 1898, Presiding Elder, Rev. John Johnson, secured Rev. Emanuel Johnson, from Minnesota, who took charge of the work for two years. During his stay, a small building fund was started. At the conference September 16, 1900, Rev. A. Granberg was appointed pastor, and held the charge one year. From this time until February, 1903, the church was left without a pastor. Some of the members joined other churches, and others moved away, and when Rev. C. J. Nelson of Pleasant Ridge, Washington, came to take the charge, he found only three members who were willing to help him take up the work again. Rev. Nelson and the small congregation bought the old Christian Church for $500.00 and moved it to a rented lot. Thus the work was started again, in the name of the Lord. In February, 1903, Rev. Ossian Johnson came from Evanston, Illinois, to take care of the work, and the church prospered under God's Blessing and Rev. Johnson's leadership. The congregation

then bought the inside lot at Third and Washington for $2,000. The church was moved on the lot, and a parsonage was added to the building at a cost of $1,000. The churrh now had 20 members, after two years of faithful service by Rev. Johnson. The church was again left without a pastor. For a few months, Rev. G. E. Carlson, a local preacher, served the church.

In June, 1906, Rev. Andrew Farrell, the new Presiding Elder on his way from Minnesota, to the Coast, stopped off to see the city, and look after the church work. On September 13, 1906, Rev. John A. Willman was transferred from the Northern Swedish Conference, Stillwater, Minn.

Two years later the church decided to sell the property for $7500. Later a lot was bought on 5th and Grant Street for $2,000, and the present church and parsonage were erected at a cost of $15,000, and with a debt of only $3,300. During Rev. Willman's pastorate the membership increased from 19 to 85. The Epworth League was organized with 12 members and increased to 60.

In May, 1912, Rev. C. A. Cederberg, from Brooklyn, New York, was appointed pastor. He did good work, and the church was dedicated during his first year of service.

In September, 1915, Rev. Gust Lindstrom, from Los Angeles, became the pastor of the church. He worked faithfully with the congregation.

In September, 1918, Rev. John Ovall was appointed pastor. During this time, the church reduced its debt to 650. At the Conference September, 1922, Rev. J. A. Willman, was again appointed pastor for a second term and served for six years during which time the remaining church debt was paid.

In September 1928 Rev. G. Harry Nelson was transferred from the Central Northwest Conference and appointed to Spokane.

Like the other Swedish Methodist Churches, the Church in Spokane has been a feeding station, constantly supplying members to other churches.

THE FIRST SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Tacoma, Wash.

In 1890 Rev. A. Peterson is recorded as the Pastor for the Swedish Methodist Church in Tacoma, and after one year of service he was succeeded by Rev. C. J. Johnson, who remained only eight months. Rev. K. O. Berglund was appointed 1892 and served the congregation to 1894. In the Conference minutes for 1892 of the Puget Sound Conference (to which the Swedish District then belonged) this Church reported one church building valued at $1,000.00. There were at that time fourteen members, this according to the report by the District Superintendent, Dr. O. E. Olander. In 1895 there were thirty members in full and one probationer. Rev. B. Howe was appointed Pastor in 1894 and served to 1896. Then followed Rev. John A. Anderson 1896-1898, Rev. C. J. Nelson 1898-1900, Rev. J. Ovall 1900-1904. During his pastorate the church was rebuilt. Rev. A. J. Gustafson took charge in 1904 and served two years. Rev. J. N. Burdell was appointed in 1906 and remained until 1908. In 1909 Rev. A. G. Beck was appointed and served until 1913. In 1914 the church was supplied by Mr. James Pearson for five months, and during the remainder of the Conference year Rev. C. W. Bergquist served. Rev. J. A. Willman was appointed in the fall of 1914 and served until June 1915. He was succeeded

by Rev. J. Bostrom who remained until the Conference in the fall. Rev. J. N. Burdell was appointed the second term in 1915 and served the congregation for six years or until 1921. During his pastorate the church building was thoroughly rebuilt, 1917, to the amount of $3,000.00. This was a great task successfully carried through, thanks to good leadership by the Pastor, who gave himself unsparingly to the enterprize. An old debt of $2,500 was also paid.

Rev. K. O. Berglund, second term, succeeded Rev. Burdell in 1921 and served two years. He was followed by Rev. J. Bostrom, second term, 1924-1925. Rev. S. Moody served 1925-1926, and Rev. E. Nelson 1926-1927. Since then the church has had no pastor. During the later years many of the members have transferred to the American speaking churches. This has made the work in this place exceedingly difficult. In 1909 a splendid parsonage was built, and the whole property is located on a choice corner not far from the business section of the city.

FREMONT SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Seattle, Wash.

In 1902 a group of Swedish Methodist folk decided to buy the Asbury M. E. church then for sale. $1,900.00 was paid for this splendid property, and Rev. E. G. Falk appointed pastor. The congregation increased and has served well. Rev. Falk was succeeded by Rev. J. N. Burdell who served from 1903 to 1904. Rev. J. Ovall was appointed 1904 and remained until 1906. Since then the following pastors have served: Rev. A. Farrell 1907, Rev. E. G. Landin 1907-1909, Rev. O. N. Johnson 1909-1912, Rev. E. G. Landin, second term, 1912-1915, Rev. A. Eklund 1916-1918, Rev. K. O. Berglund 1919-1921 and again 1923-1925. Mr. A. H. Carlson supplied the church 1921-1922. Since 1925 the church has had no pastor and the property has been rented out.

THE SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Cederhome, Wash.

Some of the first settlers in Cederhome (East Stanwood) were Methodists from San Francisco, Calif., and from Seattle, Wash., who came to make for themselves new homes in that fine rural community. The first preacher to visit Cederhome was Rev. Eric Shogren, and after him Rev. C. J. Wigren visited the place, but no organization was made until in 1888, when Rev. And. Farrell, then in Seattle, came and organized a class. The present church building and parsonage were erected in 1890-1891, and the congregation has worshiped in the church ever since. Many of the "old timers" have gone to their reward and a new generation has come up, but the church continues to function, and her influence in the community has been a mighty power for good. The tones of her bell continue yet today to call men and women to divine worship, reminding them of their duty toward God and their own soul.

The following ministers have served this charge: Rev. And. Farrell, Dr. O. E. Olander, Rev. L. Dahlgren, Rev. C. I. Johnson, Rev. J. A. Anderson, Rev. J. Johnson, Rev. Em. Johnson, Rev O. N. Johnson, Rev. J. N. Burdell, Rev. S. Moody, Rev. Eric Nelson and Rev. K. O. Berglund, three terms. He is also the present pastor.

The following charter members are still in this life: Mr. and Mrs. John Olson, Mr. A. G. Bergquest.

BEECH STREET SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Portland, Oregon

This church was organized Nov. 19th, 1890, by Dr. O. E. Olander, and with twelve people as charter members. In 1897 a lot was bought on the corner of Beech St., where the present church is now located. The church was built in 1901, and the parsonage erected five years later. In 1906 new pews were installed in the church. Between 400 and 500 members have held their membership in the church a longer or shorter period since the day of organization.

The following pastors have served: Rev. E. A. Davidson, who was the first pastor appointed (1891), but served only a short time because of poor health. Rev. N. G. Nelson served a short time also. Rev. John A. Anderson was appointed to the charge in 1892 and served until 1894, when Rev. C. A. Anderson succeeded him and remained one year, or until 1895. Rev. C. O. Freeman came and stayed until 1897, when he was succeeded by Rev. N. G. Barton, who remained until the year 1900. Rev. K. O. Berglund served four years, or from 1900 to 1904. Rev. E. G. Falk, Rev. S. Moody, and Rev. Ossian Johnson each served one year. Rev. John Ovall served from 1907 to 1910, and Rev. J. N. Burdell from 1910 to 1912, when Rev. Wessling was appointed and served one year. Rev. J. P. Berg supplied the pulpit from 1913 to 1915, and was succeeded by Rev. J. A. Willman who remained till 1918. Rev. Abel Ecklund (now on the Mission field) was appointed pastor in 1918 and remained until Jan. 1921 when he was called to the Mission field. Rev. S. Moody was again asked to take the charge, and he served up to Conference time 1921, when Rev. G. E. Kallstedt was appointed. He remained pastor for three years or till 1924. Rev. C. A. Cederberg served one year, while Dr. L. Abbott and Rev. John Bostrom served during the year 1925-1926. In June 1926 the present pastor, Rev. Gustav G. Nelson, was transferred from the Northern Swedish Conference and took up the work in Portland. The church was completely reconstructely shortly after his arrival and the grounds beautified at a cost of $9.000.00. The parsonage also was renovated and a new furnace installed.

THE SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Skagit City, Wash.

Dr. O. E. Olander organized a Swedish class in this place in 1887. An English speaking Methodist church existed for several years, but i. 1887 it dissolved, and the Swedish class was given the use of the church building and in 1893 the property was formally turned over to the Swedish congregation. In the beginning Skagit City was one of the preaching points in connection with Pleasant Ridge, but in 1898 it was constituted a separate appointment with its own pastor. The first Quarterly Conference was held Nov. 19th, 1898, and the same year the church was moved and enlarged, and an Epworth League Society organized. During the last few years the congregation has been in care of the pastor in Mount Vernon.

The following pastors have served the Skagit City charge: Rev. John Johnson 1900-1904, Rev. K. O. Berglund 1904-1909, Rev. Edw. Landin 1909-1912, Rev. O. N. Johnson 1912-1913, Rev. S. Moody 1913-1918, Rev. J. A. Willman 1918-1922, Rev. J. N. Burdell 1922 and to the present time.

THE SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Field, Wash.

Rev. John Johnson took up the work in Field (Samish River) 1911, while he was pastor in Pleasant Ridge. The congregation was organized Oct. 16th, 1912 with twelve members. Rev. Johnson moved to Field the same year. Through much sacrifice and labor on Pastor Johnson's part, the church was built 1914 and dedicated Nov. 22nd, the same year. The church, very inviting and splendid, was dedicated free of debt. Rev. Johnson served untiringly until 1924, when he retired from active ministry. The congregation then united with the Swedish church in Mount Vernon.

THE MILL STREET SWEDISH METHODIST CHURCH

Salem, Oregon

The Scandinavian Methodist Episcopal Church in Salem, Oregon, was organized by Rev. John Ovall, Feb. 26th, 1911 and with a membership of nine. The present church property was purchased in May of the same year for an amount of $2,000.00 for both lot and building. The church had been the property of a group of "Gospel" people, who at that time found it impossible to continue their work. Rev. Ovall served the congregation to Sept. 1918, when Rev. A. E. Lind was appointed pastor together with his duties as Superintendent for the Oregon-Washington District. He served to Sept. 1921, when Rev. D. Hassel, then a student at the Willamette University and Kimball School of Theology was appointed. During his term as Minister the church was reconstructed to the amount of $2,200.00. Rev. Hassel remained until the fall of 1924, and was succeeded by Rev. P. N. Dahlin also a student at the Willamette University and Kimball School of Theology. He is at present time Pastor-in-charge. The church thought it best two years ago to change from Swedish to English, and the services are now held exclusively in the English language.

THE SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Venersborg, Wash.

This rural section was opened by a land company prior to 1909. Rev. J. Ovall, then pastor in Portland, began to visit the new settlement where many Swedish people came to live. March 13th, 1910 he organized the congregation with eleven members. The land company donated five acres of land for the church building, and Rev. Ovall was successful in getting a commodious church built at a cost of $1,200.00. The church was dedicated Sept. 1st, 1912. It is a fine monument to our Swedish people who have made their home in this great fruit raising section of the northwest. The following pastors have served: Rev. J. Ovall, 1912-1914. Rev. E. Nelson 1914-1922. During his pastorate the congregation experienced a mighty revival which swept the whole community. Rev. Ovall again appointed 1922-1925, and Rev. E. Nelson (second term) 1925-1926, Rev. J. Bostrom served 1926-1927, when Rev. Nelson was again appointed. He is the pastor at present.

THE SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Outlook, Oregon

In this rural settlement five miles from Oregon City, several Swedish people took up their homes some years back. Rev. John Ovall began to visit the place and hold meetings. Ground for a church was donated by an American lady, and in 1915 the church building was finished and dedicated Aug. 22nd at a cost of $1,200.00. During the years the following pastors have visited the place holding services: Rev. John Ovall, Rev. Eric Nelson, Rev. G. E. Kallstedt, Rev. C. A. Cederberg, Rev. John Bostrom, and Rev. G. A. Nelson.

THE SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Vancouver Wash.

In this place there has been a small group of faithful members for a number of years. Rev. John Ovall brought about the organization of the Swedish Tabernacle Methodist Episcopal Church in 1911 and in 1912 the little band headed by him set out to buy a location for a church building. Two lots were purchased at the corner of Columbia and 24th Sts. for a price of $1,200, and a little later one of the lots was sold to pay up some debt which was still due on the property. However because of lack of funds there was never any buliding erected, and the congregation continued to worship in the American Methodist Church as before. The remaining lot, a fine corner lot, has now been signed over by the Trustees to the Puget Sound Conference Claimants Commission. The following Pastors have served the congregation: Rev. John Ovall, Rev. A. Eklund, Rev. E. Nelson, Rev. G. A. Nelson and Rev. J. Bostrom.

II.

IN THE MATTER OF THE MERGER OF THE PACIFIC SWEDISH MISSION CONFERENCE

At the Conference session held in Mount Vernon, Wash., September 2nd-5th, 1926, the following Resolution was adopted:

"That we petition the next General Conference of 1928 that the members of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference be allowed to unite with the Southern California Conference, and that the Swedish work of our Church on the Pacific Coast be organized as a Swedish Mission of the Southern California Conference". See Conference Journal of 1926, pg. 13.

A Commission, including members both from the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference and the Southern California Conference, was appointed by the respective Conference, and with instructions to prepare a Memorial to the General Conference, setting forth our aim and desire. This Commission reported at the following session of 1927, and the Memorial presented to both Conferences was adopted. The exact wording of this Memorial is as follows:

"WHEREAS changed conditions for our Swedish language work on the Pacific Coast necessitate some changes in the organization of that work, and

WHEREAS the best interests of everybody concerned will be served if the Swedish language work be treated as a unit, and

WHEREAS 60% of the membership of the churches, 57% of the ministers, members of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference, and 54.15% of the property value belonging to the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference will be found in the territory of the Southern California Conference,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Southern California Annual Conference and the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference memorialize the General Conference of 1928.

1. That the members of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference be allowed to join the Southern California Conference, and

2. That the work of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference be constituted a Mission of the Southern California Conference, said Mission to have the same boundaries as now given to the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference, and

3. That all the properties of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference be constituted the property of the Southern California Conference, and

4. That the Superintendent of the Mission be a member of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference, and

5. That when this Memorial shall have been adopted by the General Conference, the change of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference into a Mission shall be considered to have taken place, and will reach its complete consummation at the meeting of the Southern California Conference in the fall of 1928."

"Signed,
For the Southern California Conference,
Merle N. Smith
J. Wesley Neely
George B. Cliff

Signed,
For the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference,
Carl W. Bergquist

The General Conference Committee, into whose hands the Memorial came, could not however pass upon it because of some technical points, hence it was not adopted by the General Conference.

The result of this failure to have the Memorial pass in General Conference led some of the Ministers and also some of the Churches of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference to seriously begin a discussion of the question whether or not our Conference should dissolve and the churches join the English speaking Conferences within whose boundaries they are located, and at the Conference session in Los Angeles, September 20th-23rd, 1928, the matter was brought up for discussion at a preliminary meeting held by the Ministers, and a Recommendation adopted, asking for the amalgamation of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference with the various English speaking Conferences in whose territory it is located. On Friday morning, September 21st, the following Recommendation was introduced to the Conference session by the Secretary of the preliminary meeting, Rev. B. W. Selin:

"The pre-session recommends that the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference, as such, be dissolved, and that the members of this Conference merge with the various Conferences as outlined in the schedule prepared by the Cabinet."

The "schedule" referred to was prepared at the request of Bishop Burns and the Cabinet of the Southern California Conferenc, and gave a complete outline of the plan of distributing the members and the churches of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference among the English speaking Conferences within whose boundaries these churches are located.

It was a solemn moment when the Recommendation to dissolve was introduced. Never before in 20 years had the Conference faced such a momentous question. If the Recommendation was adopted it would make an end to our Conference organization, and also to a great extent sever the intimate relation the brethern had so long enjoyed. Bishop Burns stated that if the Recommendation was to be voted upon it ought to have a unanimous vote, and after serious consideration the vote was taken, the brethern standing while the Secretary counted the votes cast. It was unanimously voted to disolve the Conference, all for and none against the Recommendation. Three brethern asked to be excusd from voting, but having considered the matter more fully and because of unity of action cast their vote together with the other brethern in favor of the Recommendation. Never shall that great moment be forgotten. No heart was untouched. Yet there was no sign of misunderstanding. All went harmoniously, every brother fully realizing what it meant, and acting in perfect good faith.

The action taken at that hour brought about the following changes: 1. The Pacific Swedish Mission Conference disolved. 2. The Preachers and the Churches were distributed among three English speaking Conferences as follows: The Kingsburg church, the Los Angeles church and the Pasadeno church joined the Southern California Conference; the Berkeley church and the San Francisco church joined the California Conference, while all the churches in Oregon and Washington (the former Northern District) joined as a Swedish District the Puget Sound Conference. These churches are: Cederhome, Mount Vernon-Field, Portland, Salem, Seattle First Church, Seattle Fremont Church, Skagit City, Spokane, Tacoma, Vancouver, Outlook, Venersborg.

Bishop Burns and Bishop Lowe together with the three English speaking Conferences, the Southern California Conference, the California Conference, and the Puget Sound Conference, have invited us in a very fine manner, and we are indeed very grateful for their kindness and co-operation in this matter.

It is mutually understood by the members of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference and the members of the respective English-speaking Conferences, which the members of the said Swedish Conference join, (the Southern California, the California, and the Puget Sound), that the merging is done on the following conditions:

1. That the members of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference, and the congregations and property belonging to said Conference be transferred to the English-speaking Conferences as listed below.

2. The ministers of the Swedish Conference joining the said English-speaking Conferences shall all, effective and retired, enjoy the same rights and privileges, also their widows and minor children, as those enjoyed by the members, widows and minor children of the Conferences to which they are transferred.

3. That the funds held by the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference for the pensioning the retired ministers, widows, etc., be divided pro rata,

according to the number of pension years represented by those being transferred, between the respective Conferences to which these men are transferred. (See tables, Pages 49 and 50).

4. That cash now held by the Pacific Swedish Conference, realized from the sale of property, be transferred to the Conference within whose bounds the property was sold, and other cash items as listed.

5. That these Swedish-American congregations joining the respective Conferences, shall, as long as they may so desire, have pastors appointed to serve them who are capable of using both the English and Swedish languages.

6. That the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference shall take care of its own pensioners for the Conference year 1928-1929.

NORTHERN DISTRICT TO BISHOP BURNS

Dear Bishop Burns:—

We, the members of the Northern District of the now disolved Pacific Swedish Mission Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, desire this opportunity to bring to you our sincere gratitude and thanks.

We have come to the parting of the way. No longer may we enjoy your fine leadership; no longer shall we be guided by your wise counsel; no longer are we permitted within the radius of your efficient supervision.

It is no empty phrase when we say that among the things we count as a sacrifice through the action taken yesterday, our transfer out of your Area is one which we feel very keenly. Bishop! We have learned to admire, nay may we say, to love you. Frankly speaking, no Bishop has ever taken a more keen interest in our problems than you have done. None other of our great leaders could have been more willing to aid us in the solution of these problems, and no other leader could possibly exhibit a more Christian spirit than you have done. Your fraternal attitude, your warm heart and hand, so open and free to all of us, has proven a real benediction, and we want you to know, dear Bishop, that these years now past, during which we have enjoyed your splendid leadership, shall forever remain a beautiful memory in our souls.

God bless you, Bishop Burns, thank you for all you have done for us. May many years be given you to continue your great mission as a leader in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

On behalf of the Preachers of the Northern District

Yours,

C. FRANCIS AHNLUND, Superintendent

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IV.

JOURNAL DAILY PROCEEDINGS

FIRST DAY

Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church
Los Angeles, California
Thursday, September 20, 1928

The Twenty-first Annual Session of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference convened in this church, September 20, 1928 at 9:00 a. m., Bishop Charles Wesley Burns presiding.

Holy Sacrament: Hymn No. 115 in "The Modern Hymnal" was sung. J. O. Wahlberg led in prayer. The Bishop read from the fourth chapter of the Gospel according to Matthew. The Holy Sacrament was then administered by Bishop Burns assisted by the District Superintendents and F. A. Lundberg, pastor of the local church.

Roll Call: The Secretary of the last Conference called the roll and 16 members answered to their names.

Organization: J. N. Burdell was re-elected Secretary and named as his assistant, B. W. Selin. K. O. Berglund was re-elected statistician and named as his assistant J. A. Willman. J. H. Levedahl, treasurer, named as his assistants C. E. Magnuson and G. E. Kallstedt.

Program: The published program was made the official program.

Bar of the Conference: The bar of the Conference was fixed to include the first four rows of seats.

Conference Reporter: J. N. Burdell was elected Conference Reporter.

Methodist Review: B. W. Selin was made agent for the Methodist Review.

Drafts Ordered: The Bishop presented drafts as follows: From the Methodist Book Concern $291; Charter Fund $50; Board of Pensions and Relief $200, and they were ordered paid.

Methodist Book Concern: B. W. Selin was elected to represent the Book Concern at this Conference.

Disciplinary Question Nineteen: (b). The District Superintendent, C. H. Sundstrom reported that August Wallin had withdrawn from the Ministry and membership of the church. The credentials to be kept by the Secretary.

Questions 1, 2, 3, 4, 17 were called. See Disciplinary Questions.

QUESTION FIFTEEN: "Was the character of each preacher examined?" was asked. F. Ahnlund, Superintendent of Northern District and C. H. Sundstrom, Superintendent of Southern District, were called, their character passed and they read their reports. All the pastors of the Conference were called, their characters were passed and they gave their reports.

Question eleven: (a) What members have completed the Conference course of study? Bertil W. Selin.

Question twenty-five: "Who are the Supernumerary Ministers?" D. K. Bjork, A. E. Lind and John Ovall were passed in character.

Question twenty-six: "Who are the retired Ministers?" J. R. Andrews, Andrew Farrell, G. E. Kallsted, C. A. Cederberg and J. O. Wahlberg were present. John Johnson and O. W. Ostrom sent greetings to the Conference. Their characters were passed and they were continued in same relation.

Introduction: Dr. Walter Torbet, representative of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension was introduced and addressed the Conference. Dr. F. A. Lundberg, Dr. W. H. Fry, Dr. W. Martin, Rev. John O. Borgeson, Rev. R. A. Blume, Rev. K. J. Starner were introduced.

Order of the Day: On motion of B. W. Selin to receive the report from the Preliminary Conference Session was made the order Friday morning immediately following the reading of the journal.

Questions 27 and 28 were called. See Disciplinary Questions.

Standing Committees: After some changes, committees as published were made the Standing Commtitees of this Conference on motion of C. H. Sundstrom.

Adjournment. The announcements were made and the Conference adjourned, J. R. Andrews, pronouncing the benediction.

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SECOND DAY

Friday September 21, 1928, 9:00 A. M.

Devotions: Hymn 57 was sung. J. H. Levedahl led in prayer. The Bishop gave a most helpful address.

Journal Approved: The Journal of the previous session was read and approved.

Introduction: Dr. A. H. Briggs, State Superintendent Anti-Saloon League was introduced and addressed the Conference.

Greetings: F. Ahnlund read a letter from John Johnson and J. N. Burdell read a telegram from Carl W. Bergquist. The Secretary was instructed to send greetings to them.

Order of the Day: B. W. Selin read the resolution from the preliminary Conference Session: "The pre-session recommends that the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference, as such, be dissolved, and that the members of this Conference merge with the various Conferences as outlined in the schedule prepared by the Cabinet."

F. Ahnlund, J. N. Burdell and G. A. Nelson asked to be excused from voting. The request was later withdrawn. After some discussion the resolution was unanimously adopted. Dr. G. Sandblom reported that the laymens association had unanimously voted in favor for amalgamation with the English-speaking Conferences. C. H. Sundstrom read a letter from A. E. Lind in which he registered his vote in favor of the amalgamation.

This was one of the most solemn moments in the history of the Conference. The Bishop called on J. R. Andrews and J. N. Burdell to lead in prayer.

Commission: F. Ahnlund and C. H. Sundstrom were elected a commission to attend to the details in connection with the amalgamation with the English-speaking Conferences and complete the work. A. E. Peterson was elected a member of this commission to make the distribution of the permanent fund Board of pensions and relief between the Conferences this conference will be merged.

Vote of Thanks: On motion of C. H. Sundstrom the Conferense by standing vote expressed its thanks to the Bishop for faithful work done in connection with the amalgamation. On motion of J. R. Andrews the conference expressed its thanks to F. Ahnlund and C. H. Sundstrom.

Emergency grant: On motion of J. N. Burdell the Bishop was asked to send a telegram asking the Board of Pensions and Relief for an emergency grant for the Annuity fund.

Commission to represent this Conference in making arrangements with the English-speaking Conferences. For the Nothern District: F. Ahnlund and J. N. Burdell. For the Southern District C. H. Sundstrom and F. A. Lundberg.

F. Ahnlund and C. H. Sundstrom to consult with Dr. Walter Torbet, representative of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.

History: F. Ahnlund read a letter from Rev. A. Pearson in regard to the advisability of publishing a history in English of the work of the Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church in America. On motion of C. H. Sundstrom, the Conference expressed itself in favor of such a history.

F. Ahnlund and F. A. Lundberg were elected a committee to represent this Conference.

It was also decided to publish in the Conference Journal, a short history of the work of the Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church on the Pacific Coast. F. Ahnlund was elected editor.

Conference Papers: The Secretary was asked to take care of the distribution of the Conference papers.

Question Eight: Patrik N. Dahlin was called and his character passed. The Board of Examiners and the Board of Conference Relation reported and he was recommended to full membership and to remain in studies of third year. The Conference recommended his transfer to the Oregon Conference to be admitted in full membership and transferred back to this Conference.

Conference Journal: On motion of F. Ahnlund it was decided to print 500 copies of the Conference Journal and that this will be the Conference Official Journal.

J. N. Burdell reported for 1927 Journal, the report was adopted.

Introduction: Rev. Carl G. Westerdahl was introduced.

Transfer: The Bishop announced the transfer to this Conference of G. Harry Nelson from Central Northwest Conference.

Adjournment: The announcements were made and the Conference adjourned, J. O. Wahlberg pronouncing the benediction.

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THIRD DAY

Saturday, September 22, 1928, 9:00 A. M.

Devotions: Hymn 255 was sung. G. A. Nelson led in prayer. The Bishop read the scripture and gave a splendid and helpful address.

Journal Approved: The Journal of yesterday's session was read and approved.

Memorial Service: The memorial addresses were given as follows: For Bishop Joseph C. Hartzell by Bishop Charles W. Burns; Bishop Luther

Wilson by J. O. Wahlberg; Mrs. John Ovall by J. R. Andrews. The Bishop called on J. H. Levedahl to lead in prayer.

Reports: J. N. Burdell read his report as conference representative at Wesley Academy and Theological Seminary. The report was accepted.

K. O. Berglund read the statistical report. J. H. Levedahl read the Conference Treasurer's report.

Draft: The Bishop presented a draft of $200 from the Board of Pensions and Relief. The Secretary was instructed to write to Dr. B. W. Farman expressing high appreciation for the gift.

Reports: Following reports were read and adopted: Resolutions and Traveling expenses.

Caretaker: An offering was taken for the Sexton of the church.

Conference Board of Trustees recommended that the $1,600 loan to the Swedish Methodist Church, Berkeley and $175 loan to John Johnson be cancelled. By unanimous vote it was so decided.

Secretary: F. Ahnlund moved that, as this was the 13th year the secretary served without any compensation that $25 be given to him from the Conference Journal fund.

Executive Session: The Bishop called the Conference to Executive session.

Question twenty was called. C. H. Sundstrom reported that A. E. Lind desired to surrender his ministerial office and withdraw from the Conference and relinquish all claims. It was granted. The credentials returned to him with inscription: "A. E. Lind has this day been honorably dismissed by the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference from the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Reunion: Henry Brandvig read the following: "Copy of motion passed by the Laymen's Conference, September 22, 1928." "Moved and seconded and carried that we recommend to the Ministerial Conference and the various charges that we of the Swedish churches hold a reunion of fellowship and inspiration next year; one in California and one in the Northern District. (Suggestion made by F. Ahnlund that invitation from some church or churches be accepted.) Also that C. H. Sundstrom and F. Ahnlund be appointed a committee to arrange for such meeting or meetings as the case may be."

F. Ahnlund and C. H. Sundstrom were elected as a committee to arrange for meetings of this nature.

F. Ahnlund expressed on behalf of the Conference appreciation for fellowship with the laymen.

Resolution: F. Ahnlund read a resolution from the Northern District expressing high appreciation of Bishop Burns.

Greetings: The Bishop read a telegram from Mrs. Burns. The Conference expressed its appreciation and asked the Bishop to send fraternal greetings to Mrs. Burns.

The secretary was instructed to send greetings to Bishop W. O. Shepard.

Church Property at Field: The Conference confirmed a former action, September 27, 1925, in regard to selling the Field church property.

Introduction: P. Munson, B. D. Snudden, J. G. Bringdale and R. Zurbuchen were introduced.

Adjournment: The announcements were made and the Conference adjourned.

THIRD DAY

Afternoon Session, September 22, 1928

Opening: The Bishop called the Conference to order.

Executive Session was held.

Supernumerary (Question 25): John Ovall was called and on motion he was continued in the Supernumerary relation.

Question 20: C. H. Sundstrom reported that David K. Bjork desired to surrender his ministerial office and withdraw from the Conference. It was granted, the credentials to be returned to him with the proper inscription.

Schedule: The schedule prepared by F. Ahnlund and C. H. Sundstrom in regard to the amalgamation with the various Conferences was adopted.

Adjournment: The Benediction was pronounced and the Conference adjourned.

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FOURTH DAY

Sunday, September 23, 1928

The Conference met at 2:00 p. m. After singing and prayer the Bishop gave an inspiring ordination address. The Secretary called Bertil W. Selin, Bishop Burns, assisted by several Elders, ordained him as Elder.

At 7:45 p. m. the last hour of the Conference arrived. The Bishop gave an appropriate, instructive and helpful address. Read the appointments. Gave the last instructions in regard to the amalgamation with the various Conferences.

Transfer: The Bishop announced the transfer to the Southern California Conference: J. H. Levedahl, F. A. Lundberg, C. H. Sundstrom, J. R. Andrews, G. E. Kallstedt, J. O Wahlberg, O W. Ostrom.

To the California Conference: C. E. Magnuson, B. W. Selin, John Ovall.

To the Puget Sound Conference: F .Ahnlund, K. O. Berglund, J. N. Burdell, Patrik N. Dahlin, G. A. Nelson, G. Harry Nelson, J. A. Willman, C. A. Cederberg, Andrew Farrell, John Johnson, and the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference was declared dissolved.

The Bishop called on J. R. Andrews to lead in prayer. The Bishop pronounced the benediction and the Conference adjourned.

This certifies that the foregoing is a correct report of the proceedings of the Twenty-first Annual Session of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference held in the Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church, Los Angeles, California, September 19-23, 1928.

CHARLES WESLEY BURNS, President

J. N. BURDELL, Secretary

SPECIAL MEETINGS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Wednesday, September 19

2:00 P. M. Meeting of the Conference Board of Examiners.

3:00 P. M. Preliminary Conference Session. Rev. C. H. Sundstrom, Chairman.

7:45 P. M. Reception to Conference Members and Laymen's Association.
Opening Hymn.
Scripture Reading and Prayer—Rev. C. A. Cederberg.
The Church Chorus: "Onward Christian Soldiers." Ar. by Jude
Address of Welcome—Professor Robert Carlquist.
Vocal Solo: "Hear Ye, Israel" (Elijah)—Clare Selin Herberts.
Response—Rev. Francis Ahnlund.
Song: "That Beautiful Land"—The Ladies Quartette.
Address—Rev. C. H. Sundstrom.
Closing Hymn.
Refreshments served in the Social Rooms of the church.
The church orchestra will furnish special music.

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Thursday, September 20

10:00 A. M. Laymen's Association Business Session.

12:30 P. M. Dinner served in the Social Rooms of the Church.

2:00 P. M. Committee Meetings.

3:00 P. M. Anniversary Women's Foreign and Home Missionary Societies. Chairman, Mrs. F. A. Lundberg.
Annual Reports.
Address: "The Women of India"—Mrs. Vida Stephens Bateman.

6:00 P. M. Supper, served in the Social Rooms of the Church.

7:45 P. M. Anniversary of our Benevolent Boards.
—Chairman, Rev. G. E. Kallstedt.
Bible Reading and Prayer—Rev. C. E. Magnuson.
Addresses by:
Rev. M. G. Ballenger, D. D., Board of Foreign Missions.
Rev. Walter Torbet, D. D., Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.
Rev. A. Ray Moore, D. D., Board of Pension and Relief.

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Friday, September 21

10:00 A. M. Meeting of Laymen's Association.

12:30 P. M. Dinner served in the Church.

2:00 P. M. Committee Meetings.

3:00 P. M. Meeting of Laymen's Association. Election of Officers.

6:00 P. M. Supper served in the Church.

7:45 P. M. Conference Sermon. Chairman, Rev. J. R. Andrews.
Bible Reading and Prayer—Rev. Andrew Farrell.
Sermon (in Swedish)—Rev. K. O. Berglund.
Violin Duett by Roy Wall and O. E. Ahlfeldt.

Saturday, September 22

12:30 P. M. Dinner served in the Church.

2:00 P. M. Automobile trip to Pacific Palisades and Santa Monica Beach.

6:00 P. M. Supper, served in the Church.

7:45 P. M. Platform Meeting, Chairman, Rev. J. H. Levedahl.
Bible Reading and Prayer—Professor David Bjork.
General Topic: "The Promises of God."
Ten Minute Addresses by:
J. N. Burdell, "God's Promises and the Future of His Kingdom."
Rev. G. A. Nelson, "God's Promises and Victory Over Sin."
Rev. J. A. Willman, "God's Promises and the Afflictions of Life."
Rev. J. O. Wahlberg, "God's Promises and the Future Life."
Mr. Gus Valentine sang.

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Sunday, September 23

9:30 A. M. Sunday School. George Berg Superintendent.
Speakers: Rev. P. N. Dahlin and Rev. B. W. Selin.

10:30 A. M. Public Worship.
Hymn, 164
Apostle's Creed.
Prayer and Invocation—Rev. C. H. Sundstrom.
Church Chorus: "God So Loved the World"—Stainer.
Responsive Reading.
Gloria Patri.
Scripture Lesson—Rev. Peter Munson.
Offering, to defray Conference Traveling Expenses.
Vocal Solo (Selected)—Miss Constance Reed.
Sermon—Bishop Charles Wesley Burns.
Hymn, 173.
Benediction.

12:30 P. M. Dinner served in the Church.

2:00 P. M. Ordination Service.

3:00 P. M. Epworth League Rally. Chairman, Alfred Sandblom.
Bible Reading and Prayer—Rev. Alfred Ahlfeldt.
Address—Rev. Francis Ahnlund.

6:00 P. M. Supper served in the Church.

7:45 P. M. Consecration Service. Chairman, Rev. C. H. Sundstrom.
Bible Reading and Prayer—Rev. John Ovall.
Address—Bishop Charles Wesley Burns.
Reading of the Appointments and Adjournment of Conference.
Singing by Church Choir and local talent.

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DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

The Pacific Swedish Mission Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, Los Angeles, Calif.
September 19, to September 23, 1928

Bishop CHARLES WESLEY BURNS Presiding
Secretary J. N. BURDELL, P. O. Mount Vernon, Wash.
Statistician K. O. BERGLUND, P. O. East Stanwood, Wash.
Treasurer J. H. LEVEDAHL, P. O. Pasadena, Calif.
Registrar: K. O. BERGLUND, P. O. East Stanwood, Wash.

1. (a) Is this Annual Conference Incorporated According to the Requirement of the Discipline?—It is.
(b) What Officers and Persons holding Moneys, Funds, etc., are Bonded, and in what Amounts, According to the Requirement of the Discipline?—Mr. O. E. Peterson, Treasurer Conference Board of Pensions and Relief. Bond $10,000.

2. Who have been Received by Transfer, and from what Conferences? —G. Henry Nelson, Central Northwest Conference. Second year on trial. Patrik N. Dahlin, Oregon Conference. In third year.

3. Who have been Readmitted?—None.

4 Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches? —None.

5 Who have been Received on Trial? (a) In Studies of First Year.—None
(b) In Studies of Third Year under the Seminary Rule.—None.

6. Who have been Continued on Trial? (a) In Studies of First Year? —None.
(b) In Studies of Second Year.—G. Harry Nelson.
(c) In Studies of Third Year.—None.
(d) In Studies of Fourth Year.—None.

7. Who have been Discontinued?—None.

8. Who have been admitted into Full Membership? (a) Elected and Ordained this year.—None.
(b) Elected and Ordained Deacons previously.—Patrik N. Dahlin.
(c) Elected to be Ordained elsewhere.—None.
(d) Ordained Deacon, having been previously elected by Conference. —None.

9. What Members are in Studies of Third Year? (a) Admitted into Full Membership this year.—Patrik N. Dahlin.
(b) Admitted into Full Membership previously.—None.

10. What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year?—None.

11. What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study?
(a) Elected and Ordained Elders this year. -Bertil W. Selin.
(b) Elected and Ordained Elders previously.—None.
(c) Elected and Ordained Elders under the Seminary Rule.—None.
(d) Elected to be Ordained elsewhere.—None.
(e) Ordained Elder, having been previously Elected by Conference. —None.

(f) Ordained Elder elsewhere under our Election.—None.

12. What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons? (a) As Local Preachers.—None.
(b) Under Missionary Rule.—None.
(c) Under the Seminary Rule.—None
(d) Elected by this Conference and Ordained elsewhere.—None.

13. What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders? (a) As Local Deacons.—None.
(b) Under Missionary Rule.—None.
(c) Elected by this Conference and Ordained elsewhere.—None.

14. Who have been left without Appointment to Attend One of our Schools?—None.

15. Was the Character of each Preacher examined?—Yes, this was strictly done in open Conference.

16. Who have been Transferred, and to what Conferences??—Patrik N. Dahlin, Oregon Conference for reception into full membership and transferred back to this Conference. To the Southern California Conference: J. H. Levedahl, F. A. Lundberg, C. H. Sundstrom, J. R. Andrews, G. E. Kallstedt, J. O. Wahlberg, O. W. Ostrom.
To the California Conference: C. E. Magnuson, B. W. Selin, John Ovall.

To the Puget Sound Conference: F. Ahnlund, K. O. Berglund, J. N. Burdell, Patrik N. Dahlin, G. A. Nelson, G. Harry Nelson, J. A. Willman, C. A. Cederberg, Andrew Farrell, John Johnson.

17. Who have Died?—None.

18. Who have been located at their own Request?—None.

19. Who have been Located?—None.

20. Who have Withdrawn?—(a) From the Ministry.—None.

(b) From the Ministry and Membership of the Church.—August Wallin.

(c) By Surrender of the Ministerial Office. A. E. Lind, David K. Bjork.

21. Who have been Deprived of the Ministerial Office?—None.

22. Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints?—None.

23. Who have been Expelled?—None.

24. What other personal Notation should be made?—On September 21st, 1928, The Pacific Swedish Mission Conference unanimously voted to dissolve joining Southern California Conference, California Conference and Puget Sound Conference. These Conferences will accept responsibility for the annuity, Bishops Titus Lowe and Charles Wesley Burns concurring.

25. Who are the Supernumerary Ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this Relation?—John Ovall (4th year).

26. Who are the Retired Ministers?—J. R. Andrews, C. A. Cederberg, Andrew Farrell, John Johnson, G. E. Kallstedt, O. W. Ostrom, J. W. Ostrom, J. O. Wahlberg.

27. Who have been granted Leave of Absence?—None.

28. Who are the Triers of Appeals?—None.
29. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension?—(See Report).
30. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Foreign Missions?—See Report.
31. What is the Statistical Report?—See Statistician's Report.
32. What is the Conference Treasurer's Report?—See Conference Treasurer's Report.
33. (a) What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer? —$5,726.
(b) What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the Annual Conference, as reported by the Conference Trasurer? —$1,704.
34. What are the Claims on the Conference Funds?—For Annuity distribution, 246 years multiplied by the Disciplinary rate of $10.72 per year, $2,637. For Necessitous distribution, none. Total $2,637.
35. (a) What has been Received on these Claims?—From the Book Concern, $291. From Annual Conference Investments, $754. From the Chartered Fund, $50. From Pastoral Charges, $1054. From Board of Pensions and Relief, $400. From Other Sources, $88. Total $2,637.
(b) How has it been Applied?—See Conference Stewart's Report.
36. What amount has been apportioned to the Pastoral Charges within the Conference, to be raised for support of Conference Claimants? To be apportioned.
37. What amount has been paid by the Conference Treasurer to the Board of Pensions and Relief for Connectional Relief? —$1054.
38. Is there a Conference Sustenation Fund Society, and what is its Report?—None.
39. Where are the Preachers stationed?—See list of Appointments.
40. Where shall the Next Conference be held?—At Conferences to be assigned.

VII.

APPOINTMENTS

SWEDISH DISTRICT, PUGET SOUND CONFERENCE

1928-1929

Superintendent	Francis Ahnlund	(4)
Cedarhome	K. O. Berglund	(4)
Mount Vernon-Field	J. N. Burdell	(7)
Portland	G. A. Nelson	(3)
Salem	P. N. Dahlin	(5)
Skagit	J. N. Burdell	(7)
Seattle, First Church	Francis Ahnlund	(10)
Seattle, Fremont	(To be supplied)	
Spokane	G. Harry Nelson	(1)
Spokane Circuit	J. A. Willman	(1)
Tacoma	(To be supplied)	
Vancouver	(To be supplied	
Venersborg	Eric Nelson	(2)

Fresno District, Southern California Conference

Kingsburg ..... C. H. Sundstrom (10)

Los Angeles District, Southern California Conference

Los Angeles ..... F. A. Lundberg (2)

Pasadena District, Southern California Conference

Pasadena ..... J. H. Levedahl (2)

San Francisco District, California Conference

San Francisco ..... C. E. Magnuson (2)

Oakland District, California Conference

Berkeley-Oakland ..... B. W. Selin (3)

VII.

REPORTS

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Northern District

Dear Bishop Burns,

Brethern of the Conference,

and Friends:—

It is with gratitude to our Lord and Master that I present this, my third report as Superintendent of the Northern District. I am grateful for the abounding goodness of Him, who said: "Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid". It is sweet to trust in Him and to abide in Him always. Though the world be filled with anxiety and trouble He is ever present, and His voice has the magic power to change life into joy, peace and heart-comfort.

The Pastors and their families have all enjoyed the blessing of health to that extent that no severe illness has befallen them—all but Brother J. Johnson, retired, who last spring had an attack of sickness which seemed for a while would remove him from our midst, but he has again regained strength, though not as well yet as might be.

The work during the year exhibits nothing spectacular neither by way of failure, nor by way of marvelous success. By faithful labourers the work has been performed along the same line as in previous years. Evangelism has been the keynote, and special efforts in this field have been made in every congregation, the result of which human observation cannot always appraise. Only the great day of reckoning shall fully reveal the result of the efforts put forth during the past year. Surely the labor is not in vain in the Lord.

In Mount Vernon Brother Burdell and his congregation entered into a union evangelistic campaign with several other churches in the community, and with fine results. This was something new in that place, and created splendid interest, leaving a wholesome influence.

It was my privilege to help Brother Willman in Spokane again this year in a series of meetings. We enjoyed the presence of God in the meetings, and the good people of that church received the message with thankful hearts. Brother and Sister Willman have had a good year in Spokane.

Brother Gustav Nelson in Portland has been busy with special meetings, having had two or three revival campaigns. He reports several conversions

and new members received in the church. The property and its surroundings are kept in such fine condition by Brother Nelson that it is a credit to the whole Conference.

First Church in Seattle had the splendid assistance of Brother Peter Munson, member of the Central Northwest Conference, and now retired and residing in America's Paradise, Pasadena. We had fine meetings, and some of our young people gave their heart to the Lord. Seattle has paid its apportionment in full to the World Service.

Cederhome celebrated its 40th anniversary June 29th.—July 1st. Brother Berglund had invited both the Mount Vernon and the Seattle congregations with their pastors who helped to raise the banner of jubilee on that occasion. Great crowds filled the church especially on Sunday when three big meetings were held. Forty years; what a marvelous history could be written if all details were known. Brother Berglund has also received new members.

In Salem, the capitol of the state of Oregon, Brother Dahlin completes his fourth year. The congregation is not large but our friends are loyal and enthusiastic. They love their church and delight in doing things for the Lord. Brother Dahlin is continuing his studies in Willamette University and also in the Kimball School of Theology.

Venersborg has been supplied by Brother Eric Nelson, and together the Pastor and people have had a good year. This colony high up amongst the hills is limited in population but the friends are loyal to the church. However the community is not growing very fast, and we are not able to expand our work very much.

The friends in Fremont church in Seattle have had their property rented out almost continuously the last three years, or since the last Pastor moved, and through the income thus received they have been able not only to keep the property in repair, but also to pay up a mortgage of $500.00 with a surplus on hand of about $200.00. This has been done primarily through the work of Brother Ossian Johnson, who is the custodian of the property.

Tacoma has had no Pastor during the year. I have visited the friends a few times and have preached there one Sunday. The condition in Tacoma is such that to dispose of the church property and lay down the work seems advisable. In spite of several efforts made in late years, we have been unable to make any headway.

Brother J. Bostrom has supplied Vancouver, Wash. While we have a fine corner lot in this place we have no church building, and this has limited us to a great extent. The friends are very few, and it is a question if it is possible to continue the work much longer. Some new members have been received.

Outlook, Oregon has also been visited by Brother Bostrom. Some years ago a church was built in what was then a growing community. We own this church property, but conditions are such that the work has been more or less abandoned in later years. I asked Brother Bostrom to visit the place and to investigate, but his report is not encouraging. There is no organization, and only one Swedish Methodist family living there, and they hold their membership in Seattle. Other denominations have worked in the community but have given up.

Improvements have been made in the following places. New sidewalks have been laid around the church in Spokane, while street improvements

have been made in Salem. In Cederhome a new roof has been put on the parsonage. Minor improvements have also been made in Fremont. A more detailed report will be given by each pastor.

Regarding the benevolences I regret to say that we are not fully up to our quota. While some churches have met their apportionment in full, others have fallen below the mark. But I am sure every church has done its very best under the circumstances. The Pastors and the people have all done a noble and worth-while work during the year, and in every charge, except a few, all the departments are in full swing. We have a faithful corps of Sunday School workers; a consecrated group of young people; a loyal band of ladies in our Aid Societies; a devout and sincere group of ladies in the W. F. M. Societies; and Official Boards who take their responsibility in earnest. They all love our Swedish Conference and our Swedish work, and to many of them it would mean disappointment should such plans be brought forth as would break up our organization.

Our District Meeting, Epworth League and Sunday School Convention convened in First Church in Seattle last June, and proved an occasion of blessing and inspiration. A fine representation of young people attended the Convention. The sermons and discussions of both District Meeting and the Convention proved to be of a timely nature and were helpful and inspiring in every way.

I must not neglect to mention the visit to our church in Seattle of Bishop Burns, our presiding officer. This visit was planned to take place during our District Meeting and Convention, but had to be postponed until the Bishop's coming to Tacoma to lead the Norwegian-Danish Conference. On Sunday evening, August 19th the Bishop preached to our people in Seattle, and I want to say Bishop Burns, that our people are more appreciative of your visit and your stirring sermon, than any words of mine could express. God bless our Bishop, and may he be spared many years for useful service as one of the great leaders of our Methodist Episcopal church.

I think it is in place to mention also that we are sending out a splendid young man, Brother Theodore Palmquist, into the ministry this year from the First Church in Seattle—a young man who for a few years has been a lively, fine and efficient Sunday School Superintendent. Having had a call to preach for some years, it has taken him sometime to decide, and it might interest our presiding Bishop to learn that this young man made his final decision the Sunday evening the Bishop preached in our church. The young man was there and heard the sermon. He will enter the University of Washington this fall, and Dr. Wilson, Superintendent of the Seattle District, has already asked for his service as supply-pastor.

We welcome this year as an addition to the force of the District, Brother Harry Nelson from Warren, Pa., where he has served the Swedish Methodist Episcopal church. He is a member of the Central Northwest Conference. Sister Nelson has been brought up in the same church in Chicago in which both wife and I once were members, and we knew her back in those days as a little Sunday School lassie. Brother Nelson is a son of the Pastor in Portland, Brother G. A. Nelson. May this young couple be of a great blessing in the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.

In the face of no small difficulties I want to say that "we feel like going on". Some adjustments may be necessary, but we aim to "hold the fort till Jesus comes". Victory is promised in His name.

In closing may I also express my gratitude to the brethern and the churches of the District. It has been a real privilege to visit them. Cour-

tesy and friendliness only have I received on every hand, and I say to you brethern: Thank you! I have received greater consideration from you than I deserve. God bless you!

I have held 24 Quarterly Conferences during the year; made four special trips on the District; attended two area councils in Southern California, and in the spring it was my great privilege to visit for a few days the General Conference in Kansas City, Mo. This I count as one of the brighter spots in my experience during the year. The visit to Chicago and Evanston, where a meeting of all the Swedish District Superintendents in America was held, proved also very interesting. All in all I have traveled by railway this year 21,819 miles.

It is with no small concern I have come to this Conference session—the last in the history of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference, if I understand the situation. If sure that we are led by the Holy Spirit, then let us march on; otherwise let us be careful in whatever plan we try to bring forth.

Thanking you Bishop Burns for your exceeding kindness and fraternal spirit, and thanking you brethern of the Conference for esteemed fellowship in the past, I am sincerely your brother in Christ.

FRANCIS AHNLUND

SOUTHERN DISTRICT

Dear Bishop and Brethern:—

If our success in church work is to be measured by former standard—people, crushed under the burden of guilt at the alter, weaping, confessing, pleading for pardon, a sudden realization of change of heart, an uncomparable peace of soul, a "joy unspeakable",—then I fear, that with but few exceptions, we have not had much success to report. But, on the other hand, I cannot believe that our work has been entirely in vain. I repeat here what I have lately said before: We often hear it claimed now that the young people are going to the dogs because of th 18th Amendment, by way of bad booze. Well, I have kept tab on the nearly one hundred boys and girls that I have had in my Confirmation Classes during the last nine years, and NOT ONE has gone to the dogs through drink. This proves to me one of two things, either the accusation is a lie, or else it shows the influence for good that the church of God exerts upon the young life of the Nation.

And if numbers added to our rolls is a criterion of success it is not so bad, 72 having been received into full membership, nearly nine per cent of the membership. The District has held its own in membership, reporting 801, although the 23 reported from Easton last year, are not counted now. There has also been an increase in Sunday School enrollment, especially in Los Angeles, while other organizations, such as the Epworth Leagues and the Missionary Societies are at least holding their own, and in some congregations increasing. The Women's Missionary Societies are doing a splendid work. Little San Francisco has no less than 110 members with an income of about $200 in its W. F. M. S.

Los Angeles has had a great year. Twenty-six members have been enrolled and the congregation has heroically attacked the church debt, reducing it by $5,600, partly through popular subscription, and partly through the sale of the rear lot to the Dorkas Society, a Girls' Home Organization.

Kinsburg has accomplished a much-needed improvement by rebuilding the pipe organ into an alcove, extending the platform, installing a portable altar railing, also carpeting the aisles and platform. Subscriptions paid for the repairs, amounting to about $535, and the Ladies Aid had the carpets laid, costing $530, and the Sunshine Society had some minor improvements made in the parsonage costing about $125.

Last year the work in Easton was practically abandoned, although Brother Wahlberg remained in the parsonage and preached twice a month until the middle of July. The parsonage, listed at $1,500, was sold for $2,500 and the money turned over to the treasurer of the Conference.

April 18-22 Kinsburg celebrated its fortieth Anniversary and entertained the District Meeting at the same time, both events unusually good. During these forty years Kingsburg has had 12 pastors, one two terms, it has taken in 712 members, and collected for benevolences $63,739, and for all purposes $163,595.

Most of the Churches have held special evangelistic services, and at least in one, Los Angeles, have there been gleams of the old-time revival fire. Pasadena has made some improvements in its church property costing about $400 during the year.

Some of the pastor's families have had their share of life's visisitudes during the year. The auto in which brother and sister Wahlberg were riding to church one Sunday morning last spring was struck by another auto and knocked over, and it could only have been the hand of God that saved them both from death. As it was brother Wahlberg escaped with but a few bruises, but sister Wahlberg had five ribs and other bones broken, confining her to the hospital for seven weeks; and though not fully restored as yet she is doing remarkably well. The Nestor of our retired veterans, J. R. Andrews, had a severe attack of pneumonia last winter, but rallied, and is with us strong and well again; Rev. Magnuson's eldest boy, Wesley, was struck by an automobile not long ago, and but recently Dr. Lundberg sprained a foot quite badly. Both Wesley Magnuson and Dr. Lundberg were obliged to use crutches, and both are now far on their way to recovery.

The pastors and congregations are working together in peace and harmony. They are working hard, though the results are often meager. Now we may paint rosy word-pictures, and we may whistle to keep up our courage, but looking things squarely in the face we must admit that people are not interested in religion and morals in our country today, and it takes preachers with heroic fortitude not to lose heart.

It is now twenty years since this conference was organized. This district had then seven charges with 564 members; it has now five charges and 803 members. The conference had then fourteen charges with 922 members; it has now about fourteen charges with 1153 members, a gain of about 235 in twenty years. Of course, if we had now all that have gone home to glory or joined the English-speaking churches it would be a different story.

And now, as I round up my work as district superintendent I wish to thank the pastors and quarterly conferences of the Southern District for hearty co-operation, for overlooking my mistakes and weaknesses, and for the fine, brotherly treatment received in home and in church. I have enjoyed my work—the most glorious work in the world, preaching the Gospel of Love to a dying world!

Fraternally,

C. H. SUNDSTROM

(b) RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved at this final session of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference as such that we are extremely grateful to our heavenly Father for having poured out His benediction upon this Conference and for His guidance in our deliberations.

Be it also resolved that we greatly value the service rendered by our own and honored Bishop Burns. Mere words are inadequate to fully express our appreciation of his leadership, thoughfulness, counsel, and deep and clear messages of inspiration and aid.

Be it futhermore resolved that we extend to this congregation with its pastor, our sincere thanks for every effort expended to make this Conference an enjoyable one in every way. May Divine blessing attend the way of every brother and sister who has contributed in one way or another to the success of this assembly.

Be it also resolved that we express our appreciation to the District Superintendents and to various officers of the Conference who have sacrificed liberally of their time and strength to complete the many duties in hand.

And be it further resolved that we appreciate very, very much the efforts in our behalf on the part of Mr. Nels Anderson and the other owners and drivers of the automobiles for the wonderful sightseeing trip of yesterday. It will long be remembered as one of the many, many pleasant features of this Conference.

And now as we stand on the threshold of adjournment for the last time as a Conference our hearts are grieved at the thought of the loss of unity and Christian fellowship, but we rejoice in the assurance that we will find new life and greater fields of usefulness. May we therefore resolve to worthily live and faithfully labor in whatever connection we find ourselves until that great day arrives when we respond to the roll call of the redeemed at the Jubilee Conference session above.

C. E. MAGNUSON
B. W. SELIN For the Conference

(c) REPORT OF FINANCIAL SECRETARY
BOARD OF PENSIONS AND RELIEF, 1927-1928

Receipts for the Permanent Fund

Southern District		
San Francisco	$15.00	
Berkeley	70.00	
Pasadena	27.00	
Kingsburg	40.00	
Los Angeles	20.00	$ 172.00
Northern District		
Mount Veroon	$25.50	
Portland	21.05	
Seattle	44.00	
Venersborg	10.00	
Spokane	10.00	$ 110.55
From the Conference, 1927-1928		$ 282.55
Previously Reported, 1924-1927		$4.439.90
Total from the 1924 Subscription, etc.		$4.722.40

C. H. SUNDSTROM, Financial Secretary

Board of Pensions and Relief of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church

TREASURER'S REPORT, Sept. 1, 1927 to Sept. 1, 1928

INCOME ACCOUNT

Receipts		
Interest received on loans	$398.28	
Interest received on Bonds	252.50	
Interest received on bank deposits	89.16	
Interest received on funds deposited with Board of Pensions and Relief at Chicago, Illinois	58.00	
Total receipts		$797.94
Disbursements		
Paid premium on Treasurer's bond	$ 18.75	
Paid C. W. Bergquist, President, for Traveling expenses	10.00	
Paid C. H. Sundstrom, Secretary, for Traveling expenses	15.00	
Paid to Treasurer of Conference Board of Stewards	754.19	
Total Disbursements		$797.94

PERMANENT FUND, CASH ACCOUNT

Balance on hand, per last report		$1,389.76
Receipts		
Loans Paid	$500.25	
From Conference Treasurer	65.42	
From Subscriptions	450.55	
Total Receipts		$1,016.22
Total		$2,405.98
Disbursements—None		
Balance cash on hand, September, 1928		$2,405.98

PERMANENT FUND, INVESTMENTS

Loans and Investments, as per last report	$11,970.73	
Loans paid during year	500.25	
Net investments on hand, as per schedule		$11,470.48

PERMANENT FUND, RECAPITULATION

Cash on hand	$ 2,405.98	
Investments on hand	11,470.48	
Total Permanent Fund		$13,876.46
Gain during year		$515.97

O. E. PETERSON, Treasurer

CONFERENCE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS and CHURCH EXTENSION

Receipts		
Oct. 19th, 1927	$1,125.00	
Jan. 19th, 1928	1,062.50	
Apr. 18th, 1928	1,062.50	
July 19th, 1928	1,062.50	
Total		$4,312.50
Disbursements		
NORTHERN DISTRICT		
Cederhome	$575.00	
Kelso-Longview	150.00	
Mount Vernon	300.00	

Portland	225.00	
Salem	200.00	
Spokane	500.00	
Tacoma	25.00	
Vancouver	150.00	
Venersborg	350.00	
District	250.00	
Total		$2,725.00
SOUTHERN DISTRICT		
Berkeley	$450.00	
Easton-Fresno	150.00	
Pasadena	100.00	
San Francisco	575.00	
District	275.00	
Total		$1,550.00
Unused funds returned to Philadelphia		37.50
Grand total disbursements		$4,312.50

WM. STONE, Treasurer
FRANCIS AHNLUND, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT, BOARD OF CONFERENCE STEWARD

Income

Interest from Conference Fund	$ 754.00	
Collection from charges	1054.00	
From Methodist Book Concern	291.00	
Board of Pensions and Relief, Chicago	400.00	
From Chartered Fund	50.00	
Other Sources	88.00	
Total		$2,637.00

Disbursements

Name	Years	Annuity	
J. R. Andrews	39	$417.95	
C. A. Cederberg	35	375.22	
A. Farrell	31	332.30	
John Johnson	34	364.50	
G. E. Kallstedt	34	364.50	
J. O. Wahlberg	43	460.90	
Mrs. O. F. Lindstrum	30	321.63	
	246		$2,637.00

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

This is to certify that we have examined the books and records of the following conference officers and found them to be correct to the best of our knowledge: Rev. C. H. Sundstrom, secretary of the Conference Board of Pensions and Relief; Mr. O. E. Peterson, treasurer of the Conference Board of Pensions and Relief; Rev. J. N. Burdell, treasurer of the Board of Stewards; Rev. F. Ahnlund, secretary of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension; Rev. J. N. Burdell, secretary of the Conference.

J. H. LEVEDAHL
JOHN A. WILLMAN

Distribution of the Permanent Fund of the Board of Pensions and Relief of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference to the English-speaking Conferences with which said Conference merged in the fall of 1928 as ordered by the Conference and voted by the Board of Pensions and Relief.

(Total amount to be distributed—$13,209.00. Total number of Service Years for the whole Conference, effective and retired men—518. Amount per Service Year—$25.50.)

I. TO THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE

Minister	Age	Service Years	Totals
Effective			
J. H. Levedahl	61	34	
F. A. Lundberg	53	31	
C. H. Sundstrom	54	29	94
Retired			
J. R. Andrews	77	39	
G. E. Kallstedt	60	34	
J. O. Wahlberg	74	43	116
O. W. Ostrom	59	15 (No Claim)	
			210

210 Service Years at 25.50 per Service Year $5,355.00

II. TO THE CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE

Effective			
C. E. Magnuson	41	15	
B. W. Selin	27	4	19
Retired			
Mrs. O. F. Linstrum	69	30 (O. F. L. 40)	30
Supernumerary			
John Ovall	65	34	34
			83

83 Service Years at $25.50 per Service Year $2,116.50

III. TO THE PUGET COUND CONFERENCE

Effective			
F. Ahnlund	49	15	
K. O. Berglund	61	35	
J. N. Burdell	52	25	
Patrik Dahlin	30	2	
G. A. Nelson	57	15	
Harry Nelson		1	
J. A. Willman	62	32	,125
Retired			
C. A. Cederberg	70	35	
Andrew Farrell	76	31	
John Johnson	73	34	100
			225

225 Service Years at $25.50 per Service Year $5,737.50

O. E. PETERSON, Treas.

Record of Property and Funds, (except the Pension Fund), Transferred from the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference to the English-speaking Conferences with which said Swedish Conference merged in the fall of 1928, property values as reported by the Conference Statistician, September, 1928.

I. TO THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE

Charge	Value of Church	Value of Parsonage	Totals
Easton	$ 1,200		$ 1,200
Kingsburg	15,000 (2)	$ 8,500	24,000
Los Angeles	65,000		65,000
Pasadena	10,000	5,000	15,000
	$91,700	$13,500	$105,200

Cash

From the Sale of the Easton Parsonage	$2,472.50	
From Mathilda Peterson, Easton, Mission Endowment Fund	200.00	$ 2,672.50
Total Property and Cash		$107,872.50

II. TO THE CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE

Chare	Value of Church	Value of Parsonage	Totals
Berkeley-Oakland	$15,000	$ 7,500	$22,500
San Francisco	25,000	10,000	35,000
	$40,000	$17,500	$57,500

III. TO THE PUGET SOUND CONFERENCE

Cedar Home	$ 2,000	$ 700	$ 2,700
Skagit	500	400	900
Mount Vernon	4,000	3,000	7,000
Portland	15,000	3,800	18,800
Salem	4,500		4,500
Seattle, First	30,000		30,000
Seattle, Fremont	400		400
Spokane	8,000	2,000	10,000
Tacoma	8,000	2,500	10,500
Vancouver (lot)	500		500
Venersborg	2,000		2,000
	$78,500	$12,400	$90,900

F. AHNLUND,
C. H. SUNDSTROM,
Commissioners

K. O. BERGLUND, *Statistician*
East Stanwood, Wash.

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT—SOUTHERN DISTRICT

J. A. WILLMAN, *Assistant*

List No	NAME OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	NAME OF PASTORS	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT: Support of Pastor: Total Claim, including House Rent	Support of Pastor: Total Paid, including House Rent	Support of Pastor: Rental Value of Parsonage	Support of Dist. Supt.: Total Claim, including House Rent and Traveling Expenses	Support of Dist. Supt.: Total Paid including House Rent and Traveling Expenses	Support of Bishops: Claim	Support of Bishops: Paid	Support of Conf. Cl'ts.: Claim	Support of Conf. Cl'ts.: Paid	Total Paid for Ministerial Support	Total Deficiency	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP: Baptisms: Children Baptized	Baptisms: Adults Baptised	Prep'tory M'bership: Prep. Men. Received During the Year	Prep'tory M'bership: Prep. Members Now on Roll	Full Membership: Received from Prep. Members on Profession of Faith	Full Membership: Received by Transfer	Full Membership: Full Mem now on Roll not inc Nonresident Inactive Members	Full Membership: Non-resident Inactive Members	Deaths During Year
1	Berkeley-Oakland	B. Selin	1500	1500	450	20	20	10	10	66	60	1590	6	2					4	66	8		
2	Easton	J. O. Wahlberg	218	218	100																		
3	Kingsbury	C. H. Sundstrom	2100	2100	300			52	52	340	330	2482	10	11	13	4	15	30	3	340	30	2
4	Los Angeles	F. A. Lundberg	2700	2700		50	50	33	33	229	220	3003	9	5		8		8	20	229	19	3
5	Pasadena	J. H. Levedahl	1960	1960	360	40	40	17	17	105	110	2127		1		2	2		4	105	4	
6	San Francisco	C. E. Magnuson	1704	1704	480	24	24	8	8	62	62	1798		3		3	3		5	62	15	
	Total		10182	10182	1690	134	134	120	120	802	782	11000	25	12	13	17	20	38 D	36	802	76	5

NORTHERN DISTRICT

1	Cedarhome	K. O. Berglund	420	420	120	8	8	3	3	8	8	439		1	1			4		8	1	
2	Mt. Vernon-Field-Skagit City	J. N Burdell	1280	1280	200	30	30	15	15	77	40	1365	37			4	6	4	7	77	7	
3	Portland	G. A. Nelson	1500	1500	300	40	40	15	15	62	60	1590		2				6		62		
4	Salem	P. N. Dahlin	600	600		8	8	3	3	13	15	626								13	13	
5	Seattle—First Church	Fr. Ahnlund	2050	2050	300	50	50	23	23	130	85	2203		5				1		132	2	
6	Seattle-Fremont						10					10								12		
7	Spokane	J. A. Willman	1024	952	300	20	20	11	11	42	42	1097	72	7			19			42	20	2
8	Tacoma						5					5								15	3	1
9	Vancouver	J. Bostrom	100	92								92		1				4		7		
10	Venersborg	E. Nelson		81				1	1	27	3	85								22		
	Total		6974	6975	1220	156	171	71	71	359	253	7512	109	16	1	4	25	19	7	390	46	3
1	Southern	C. H. Sundstrom	10182	10182	1690	134	134	120	120	802	782	11000	25	12	13	17	20	38	36	802	76	5
2	Northern	Fr. Ahnlund	6974	6975	1220	156	171	71	71	359	253	7512	109	16	1	4	25	19	7	390	46	3
	Total		17156	17157	2910	290	305	191	191	1161	1035	18512	134	28	14	21	45	57	43	1192	122	8
		Increase				6		39	17	373	153		120	2	10			19	28		10	33	
		Decrease	184	1236	164		9					1738				27	24						16

K. O. BERGLUND, *Statistician*
East Stanwood, Wash.

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT—SOUTHERN DISTRICT

J. A. WILLMAN, *Assistant*

List No	NAME OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	NAME OF PASTORS	SUNDAY SCHOOLS				EPWORTH LEAGUE		CHURCH PROPERTY									MISCELLANEOUS		
			Number of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Enrolled in All Depts. Including Cradle Roll, Home Dept Officers, Teachers and Pupils	Average Attendance	Senior Members	Junior Members	Church Buildings	Estimated Value of Land and Buildings	Parsonages	Estimated Value of Land and Buildings	Val. of other Properties Endowments, Bonds, etc	Paid for Buildings and Improvements	Paid for Old Indebtedness on Property	Present Indebtedness on Property	Current Expenses, not Including Ministerial Support	Local Preachers	Subscribers to the Advocates	Amount Contributed by Ladies' Aid Society
1	Berkeley-Oakland	B Sehn	1	13	40	64	35		1	15000	1	7500		12		850	2 00	2	15	36
2	Easton	J. O. Wahlberg							1	1200										
3	Kingsbury	C. H. Sundstrom	1	21	352	197	40	30	1	15500	2	8500		1275	900	2900	1405		40	933
4	Los Angeles	F A Lindberg	1	18	182	112	48		1	65000				550	5600	9500	1817	4	22	375
5	Pasadena	J H Lovedahl	1	8	57	45	27		1	10000	1	5000		400			422	2	5	384
6	San Francisco	C E Magnuson	1	7	99	49	25		1	25000	1	10000		350			975	1	11	225
	Total		5	67	754	434	175	30	6	131700	5	31000		2587	6200	13250	4825	9	93	1953

NORTHERN DISTRICT

1	Cedarhome	K. O Berglund	1	3	35	24			1	2000	1	700		61			53		6	202
2	Mt Vernon-Field-Skagit Cos	J N. Burdell	1	12	92	55	56		2	4500	2	3400		75			550		18	275
3	Portland	G A. Nelson	1	9	94	60	18		1	15000	1	3800			461	6752	599	1	10	395
4	Salem	P N Dahlin	1	6	58	30	15		1	4500				55		360	120			200
5	Seattle—First Church	Fr Ahnlund	1	10	77	50	42		1	30000							1112	4	25	387
6	Seattle-Fremont								1	4000					500		190	1		
7	Spokane	J A. Willman	1	7	30	25	20	10	1	8000	1	2000	200	65			500	1	12	150
8	Tacoma								1	8000	1	2500					236			
9	Vancouver	J Bostrom								500						87				36
10	Veuersborg	E Nelson	1	5	15	10			1	2000										
	Total		6	47	393	254	151	10	10	78500	6	12400	200	246	961	7 199	4360	7	71	1645
1	Southern	C H Sundstrom	5	67	754	434	175	30	6	131700	5	31000		2587	6200	13250	4825	9	93	1953
2	Northern	Fr Ahnlund	6	47	393	254	151	10	10	78500	6	12400	200	246	961	7199	4360	7	71	1645
	Total		11	114	1147	688	326	40	16	210200	11	43400	200	2833	7161	20449	9185	16	164	3598
		Increase			8	65		30		10000		5500	200		5361		666	1	24	
		Decrease	1	1			40				1			1582		4914				267

K. O. BERGLUND, *Statistician*
East Stanwood, Wash.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—SOUTHERN DISTRICT

J. A. WILLMAN, *Assistant*

List No	NAME OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES ("An Annual Conference may allow a pastor to present a separate report for each church or society in his pastoral charge." Discipline, Paragraph 88, Sec. 3)	SUNDAY SCHOOLS																	
					PUPILS ENROLLED														
		Schools on Charge	Schools Using Graded Lessons	Officers and Teachers	Cradle Roll	Beginners	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Senior	Young People	Adults	Home Department	Enrolled in all Departments, including Cradle Roll, Home Department Officers, Teachers & Pupils	Average Attendance	Pupils, including the Home Department who are Church Members or Preparatory Members	Accessions to the Church from Membership of S. S.	Paid by Sunday School to World Service	Paid for Sunday School Supplies
		1	2	3	4 (a)	4 (b)	4 (c)	4 (d)	4 (e)	4 (f)	4 (g)	4 (h)	4 (i)	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	Berkeley-Oakland	1	1	13	4	5	12	3	7	4	7	9		64	40	10		10	53
2	Kingsbury	1	1	21	33	40	22	23	44	20	40	103		352	197	190	30		358
3	Los Angeles	1	1	18	12	15	9	10	6	27	55	48		182	112	130	8	6	214
4	Pasadena	1		8			12		14	8	8	15		57	45	13		40	85
5	San Francisco	1		7	25	15	10	5	15		9	10	10	99	40	26	3	60	100
	Total	5	3	67	74	75	65	41	86	59	119	185	10	754	434	369	41	116	810

NORTHERN DISTRICT

1	Cedarhome	1		3		5	6	7	9	5				35	24			4	43
2	Mt Vernon-Field	1		12	12	8	10	12	11	10	9	20		92	55	16		9	55
3	Portland	1		9	6	19		15	14	22		6		91	60	12	6	5	86
4	Salem	1		6	7	6	8	7	5	4	4	6		53	30			14	72
5	Seattle—First Church	1	1	10		6	6	7	6	6	8	12	15	77	50	25		25	66
6	Spokane	1		7										30	25			15	76
7	Tacoma																		
8	Vancouver																		
9	Venersborg	1		5		1	2	1	3	1	1	3		15	10				4
	Total	7	1	52	25	45	32	49	48	48	22	47	15	393	254	53	6	72	402

K. O. BERGLUND, *Statistician*
East Stanwood, Wash.

EPWORTH LEAGUE STATISTICS—SOUTHERN DISTRICT

J. A. WILLMAN, *Assistant*

List No	NAME OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES ("An Annual Conference may allow a pastor to present a separate report for each church or society in his pastoral charge."—Discipline, Paragraph 88, Sec. 3)	EPWORTH LEAGUE								
		Senior League		Intermediate League		Junior League		Epworth Heralds Taken	Paid to Central Office	Paid to World Service
		Chapters	Members	Chapters	Members	Chapters	Members			
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	Berkeley-Oakland	1	35					10		10
2	Kingsbury	1	40			1	30	10		
3	Los Angeles	1	48					4		15
4	Pasadena	1	27						5	40
5	San Francisco	1	25	1	11			10		15
	Total	5	175	1	11	1	30	34	5	80
	NORTHERN DISTRICT									
1	Mt Vernon	1	56					10		25
2	Portland	1	18							10
3	Salem	1	15					6		15
4	Seattle	1	42							
5	Spokane	1	20			1	10	12		15
	Total	5	151			1	10	28		65

Last No.	NAME OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES ("An Annual Conference may allow a pastor to present a separate report for each church or society in his pastoral charge." Discipline, Paragraph 88, Sec. 3)	Disciplinary Benevolences As Ordered by the Gen. Conference: World Service — On Apportionment	World Service — Specials, Annuities, Legacies, etc.	Children's Day Fund	Women's Foreign Missionary Society	Women's Home Missionary Society	Total Disciplinary Benevolences	Benevolences As Ordered by the Annual Conference: Educational Endowments, Buildings, Special Gifts for use within the Conf.	Hospitals and Homes Endowments, Buildings, Special Gifts	Wesley Seminary	Bethany Homes	Students' Loan Fund	Area Office	Other Benevolences	Total Benevolences Ordered by the Annual Conference	Other Cash Items: Support of Dist. Supt. including House Rent and Administrative Expenses	Support of Bishops (Episcopal Fund	Support of Conference Claimants	Annual Conference Investments for Conference Claimants	General Conference Expenses	Grand Total, including Disciplinary and Annual Conference Benevolences and other Cash Items
1	Berkeley-Oakland	302		8	159		469			13			3	34	59	20	10	60	70	7	677
2	Easton	40	20		14		74											40			114
3	Kingsburg	748	135	13	314	145	1055			80	38		10	378	506		52	330	40	10	2593
4	Los Angeles	374		13	164	124	675				2		4	516	522	50	33	220	20	10	1530
5	Pasadena	458	17	12	263		750			33	19			235	287	40	17	110		5	1209
6	San Francisco	324		5	212		541			15			5	16	36	24	8	62	15	5	691
	Total	2246	172	52	1117	569	4155			141	59		22	1179	1401	134	120	822	145	37	6814

NORTHERN DISTRICT

1	Cedarhome	55			50		105							4	4	8	3	8		128
2	Mt. Vernon	169		1	99		269			7	6			12	25	30	15	40	25	3	407
3	Portland	100			204		304			15				22	37	40	15	39	32	3	470
4	Salem	34			60		94									8	3	15			120
5	Seattle-First Church	425	14	2	139		580			15	5		4	127	151	50	23	85	44	2	935
6	Seattle-Fremont	10					10									10					20
7	Spokane	150		1	48		199			5		2		68	75	20	11	42	10	5	362
8	Tacoma															5					5
9	Venersborg	10					10			5				6	11		1	3	10		35
	Total	953	14	4	600		1571			47	11	2	4	239	303	171	71	232	121	13	2482

VIII.

ROLL OF DEAD

MEMBERS OF CONFERENCE

"Blessed are they who die in the Lord . . . . They rest from their labors, and their works do follow them."

Nicholas G. Nelson, born July 14th, 1853, died Oct. 13th, 1923, age 70 years. Entered the Ministry 1879. Transferred to this Conference 1908.

Oscar L. Linstrum, born November 9th, 1857, died January 19th, 1926, age 68 years. Entered the Ministry 1879. Transferred to this Conference 1910.

IX.

HISTORICAL

(a) FORMER MEMBERS AND PROBATIONERS

Name	Year in The Conference
Beck, A. G.	1909—1913
Bergquist, C. W.	1914—1927
Bjork, D. K.	1916—1928
Eklund, Abel	1914—1921
Emanuel, C. G.	1918—1922
Hallen, A., Ph. D.	1908—1914
Johnson, O. N.	1908—1916
Landin, E. G.	1908—1916
Lind, A. E.	1908—1928
Lindstrom, Gust	1912—1918
Moody, S.	1908—1910
Wallin, Aug.	1908—1928
Wells, C. J.	1919—1922
Werner, G. A., Ph. D.	1908—1912
Westerdahl, C. G.	1916—1919
Westling, O. W.	1910—1913

(b- CONFERENCE SESSIONS Pacific Swedish Conference.

1908—1916

Year	Date	Place	Bishop	Secretary	Treasurer	Statistician
1908	Sept. 2-6	Oakland, Cal.	Henry W. Warren	G. A. Werner	G. E. Kallstedt	K. O. Berglund
1909	Aug. 21-24	Seattle, Wash.	Charles W. Smith	G. A. Werner	G. E. Kallstedt	K. O. Berglund
1910	Sept. 15-18	San Francisco, Cal.	Edwin H. Hughes	G. A. Werner	G. E. Kallstedt	K. O. Berglund
1911	Sept. 7-10	Portland, Ore.	Charles W. Smith	G. A. Werner	A. E. Lind	K. O. Berglund
1912	Sept. 5-8	Los Angeles, Cal.	Wm. O. Shepard	J. N. Burdell	A. E. Lind	K. O. Berglund
1913	Oct. 2-5	Spokane, Wash.	R. J. Cooke	J. N. Burdell	G. E. Kallstedt	K. O. Berglund
1914	Sept. 10-13	Kingsburg, Cal.	F. J. McConnell	J. N. Burdell	G. E. Kallstedt	K. O. Berglund
1915	Sept. 9-15	San Francisco, Cal.	Edwin H. Hughes	J. N. Burdell	G. E. Kallstedt	K. O. Berglund
1916	Sept. 21-24	Tacoma, Wash.	Matt. S. Hughes	J. N. Burdell	G. E. Kallstedt	K. O. Berglund
1917	Sept. 20-23	Mt. Vernon, Wash.	Matt. S. Hughes	J. N. Burdell	G. E. Kallstedt	K. O. Berglund
1918	Sept. 6-9	Pasadena, Cal.	W. P. Thirkield	J. N. Burdell	C. W. Bergquist	K. O. Berglund
1919	Sept. 18-21	Portland, Ore.	Matt. S. Hughes	J. N. Burdell	C. W. Bergquist	K. O. Berglund
1920	Sept. 2-5	Los Angeles, Cal.	Adna W. Leonard	J. N. Burdell	C. W. Bergquist	K. O. Berglund
1921	Sept. 7-11	Seattle, Wash.	Wm. O. Shepard	J. N. Burdell	C. W. Bergquist	K. O. Berglund
1922	Sept. 28-Oct. 1	Berkeley, Cal.	Charles W. Burns	F. Ahnlund	C. W. Bergquist	C. J. Wells
1923	Sept. 27-30	Spokane, Wash	Wm. O. Shepard	F. Ahnlund	C. W. Bergquist	K. O. Berglund
1924	Oct. 9-12	Kingsburg, Cal.	Eben S. Johnson	F. Ahnlund	C. W. Bergquist	K. O. Berglund
1925	Sept. 24-27	San Francisco, Cal.	Charles L. Mead	F. Ahnlund	C. W. Bergquist	K. O. Berglund
1926	Sept. 2-5	Mt. Vernon, Wash.	Charles W. Burns	J. N. Burdell	C. W. Bergquist	K. O. Berglund
1927	Sept. 1-4	Portland, Ore.	Thomas Nicholson	J. N. Burdell	C. W. Bergquist	K. O. Berglund
1928	Sept. 19-23	Los Angeles, Cal.	Charles W. Burns	J. N. Burdell	J. H. Levedahl	K. O. Berglund

(Merged with The Southern California Conference 1928)

X.

MISCELLANEOUS

(a) PREACHERS' ADDRESSES

Ahnlund, Francis	1604 Boren Ave., Seattle Wash.
Andrews, J. R.	Box E., Kingsburg, Calif.
Berglund, K. O.	R. F. D. 2, East Stanwood, Wash.
Burdell, J .N.	314 Section St., Mount Vernon, Wash.
Cederberg, C. A.	1453 Alamitos, Long Beach, Calif.
Dahlin, P. N.	2095 Trade St., Salem, Ore.
Farrell, And.	1300 Lincoln St., Kingsburg, Calif.
Johnson, John	Route 2, Box 142, Bow, Wash.
Kallstedt, G. E.	582 N. Madison Ave., Pasadena, Calif.
Levedahl, J. H.	537 Summit Ave., Pasadena, Calif.
Lundberg, F. A.	1565 W. 14th St., Los Angeles, Calif.
Magnuson, C. E.	429 Guerrero St., San Francisco, Calif.
Munson, Peter	902 N. Madison Ave., Pasadena, Calif.
Nelson, A. G.	167 Beech St., Portland, Ore.
Nelson, Eric	Box 22, Brush Prairie, Wash.
Ostrom, O. W.	Route F., Box 455, Fresno, Calif.
Ovall, John	Springville, Calif.
Sundstrom, C. H.	1301 Smith St., Kingsburg, Calif.
Selin, B. W.	2001 Woolsey St., Berkeley, Calif.
Wahlberg, J. O.	Box 3, Manhatten Beach, Calif.
Willman, J. A.	507 Grant St., So. Spokane, Wash.

(b) SUPPLIES AND LOCAL PREACHERS

Axel Anderson	Local Preacher, Portland, Ore.
Rev. J. Bostrom	Portland, Ore.
M. Blomstad	Local Preacher, Berkeley, Calif.
G. E. Carlson	Local Preacher, Tacoma, Wash.
Oscar Carlson	Local Preacher, Seattle, Wash.
R. Carlquist	Local Preacher, Los Angeles, Calif.
Vincent Howard	Local Preacher, Portland, Ore.
C. I. Johnson	Local Preacher, Seattle, Wash.
O. N. Johnson	Local Preacher, Seattle, Wash.
J. Magnuson	Local Preacher, Easton, Calif.
E. M. Mathson	Local Preacher, San Francisco, Calif.
M. Nelson	Local Preacher, Los Angeles, Calif.
Rev. E. Nelson	Supplying Venersborg, Wash.
Mrs. E. Nelson	Local Preacher, Venersborg, Wash.
N. J. Peterson	Local Preacher, Los Angeles, Calif.
E. G. Rosendahl	Local Elder, Kingsburg, Calif.
C. Swanbom	Local Preacher, Easton, Calif.
Mrs. J. A. Willman	Local Preacher, Spokane, Wash.
S. Moody	712 Meeker St. W., Kent, Wash.

(c) General

Representatives to the Wesley Academy and Theological Seminary

Evanston, Ill.

(Conference Visitor and Trustee)

1912, A. E. Lind; 1913, J. N. Burdell; 1914, K. O. Berglund; 1915, C. A. Cederberg; 1916, J. N. Burdell; 1917, J. H. Levedahl; 1918, Gust Lindstrom; 1919, Francis Ahnlund; 1920, Abel Eklund; 1921, J. A. Willman; 1922, C. W. Bergquist; 1923, K. O. Berglund; 1924, A. E. Lind; 1925, Francis Ahnlund; 1926, J. H. Levedahl; 1927, C. H. Sundstrom; 1928, J. N. Burdell.

XI.

PASTORAL RECORDS

Explanation — Relation to the Conference is indicated thus: D. Deacon; E. Elder; R. Retired; S. Supernumerary. * indicates Charter Member in the Conference.

Name	Conf. Relation	Year Born	Birthplace	Admitted on Trial		Joined Pacific Swed. Conf.
				Year	Conf.	
Ahnlund, Francis	E.	1879	Bollnas, Sweden	1913	Western Swed.	1913
Andrews, J. R.	R.	1851	Sweden	1878	N. W. Swedish	*
Berglund, K. O.	E.	1867	Vermland, Sweden	1893	Puget Sound	*
Burdell, J. N.	E.	1876	Sweden	1903	Puget Sound	*
Cederberg, C. A.	R.	1858	Sweden	1885	New England	1912
Dahlin, Patrik N.	D.	1898	Sweden	1926	Pac. Swed. Mission	1926
Farrell, And.	R.	1852	Vestmanland, Sweden	1882	N. W. Swedish	*
Johnson, J.	R.	1855	Vermland, Sweden	1890	N. W. Swedish	*
Kallstedt, G. E.	R.	1868	Ostergotland, Sweden	1890	California	*
Levedahl, J. H.	E.	1867	Gottland, Sweden	1894	North. Swedish	*
Lundberg, F. A.	E.	1875	Hallsberg, Sweden	1897	Austin	1927
Magnuson, C. E.	E.	1887	Sweden	1913	North. Swedish	1924
Nelson, Gustav A.	E.	1869	Sweden	1913	North. Swedish	1926
Ostrom, O. W.	R.	1869	Afton, Minn.	1891	N. W. Swedish	*
Ovall, John	S.	1863	Elfsbergs Lan, Sweden	1891	Austin, Tex.	*
Sundstrom, C. H.	E.	1874	Nerike, Sweden	1899	North. Swedish	1919
Selin, Bertil W.	D.	1901	Finland	1924	Central Swedish	1926
Wahlberg, J. O.	R.	1854	Sweden	1884	Austin, Tex.	*
Willman, J. A.	E.	1866	Sweden	1896	North. Swedish	*

XII.

MINUTES OF THE LAYMEN'S ASSOCIATION

The fifth annual meeting of the Laymen's Association of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church held in the Swedish M. E. Church of Los Angeles, Calif., met in the Sunday School Auditorium of the church on Friday morning, September 21st, 1928, at 10:30 A. M. No meeting having been held on Thursday as scheduled; the delegates attending other sessions of the Conference.

The President, Julian Jacobson, being absent, the meeting was called to order by Vice-President P. M. Paulson.

Eighteen delegates were present as follows: four from Los Angeles, seven from Kingsburg, San Francisco one, Pasadena two, Berkeley one, Portland two, and Mount Vernon one.

Several laymen being present who were not regularly elected delegates, upon motion it was voted to accept all laymen present as voting members of the Association.

The following organization was effected: President, P. M. Paulson; Secretary, Henry Brandvig; Treasurer, C. G. Anderson.

Before taking up the regular topics for discussion and action, prayer was offered by the President.

As the question of amalgamation was being considered in the Ministerial Conference it was decided to take a vote in the Laymen's Association also. This was done without debate and the vote to dissolve and join with the American Conference was unanimous.

A message was immediately sent in to the ministers in session notifying them of the result.

The official Program and Topics for Discussion as outlined by the program committee follows:

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 10.00 A. M.—1. Devotions, Organization. 2. Topics for Discussion: (a) House-to-house visiting lay Evangelism: Can it be successfully worked in our churches? Delegates from Pasadena and Seattle. (b). The secret of interesting Young People in Christian Life and Service. Delegates from Los Angeles and Mount Vernon. (c). Would the use of more English in Sandebudet procure more readers among our Young People? Delegates from Berkeley and Salem.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 10:00 A. M.—1. Devotions and Business Session. 2. Topics for Discussion: (a) In case our Conference dissolves, would it be desirable to arrange for an Annual Meeting of Ministers and Laymen to continue our nominal connection? Delegates from Kingsburg and Portland. (b). Are we justified in putting missionary money year after year in fields that apparently have no future? Delegates from Kingsburg and Cederhome.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 3:00 P. M.—1. Devotions and Election of Officers. 2. Topics for Discussion: (a) What provision can be made for the retired preachers who have served as supplies, in case the Conference dissolves. Delegates from Pasadena and San Francisco. (b). What can we as Laymen do to maintain interest in Swedish Methodism in case our Conference dissolves? Delegates from Portland and Berkeley. (c). Would it be advisable to print a short history of our charges in the 1928 Minutes, and would we recommend the printing of and up-to-date History of Swedish Methodism in America in the English language? Delegates from Los Angeles, San Francisco and Spokane.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 9:00 A. M.—Joint Session with the Ministerial Conference.

NOTICE—Business sessions will be held in the Sunday School Auditorium of the church.

Saturday, 2 P. M., a sight-seeing trip to the Pacific Palisades and Santa Monica Beach. Breakfast will be served delegates where they are entertained. Dinner and Supper free of charge in the church.

J. M. JACOBSON, Chairman

P. M. PAULSON, Vice-Chairman C. H. SUNDSTROM, District Supt.
OSCAR L. ERICKSON, Secretary F. A. LUNDBERG, Host

The topics as outlined were taken up in the order as a. b. c. for Thursday and also topics a. and b. outlined for Friday's program were taken up and discussed. The topic: The secret of interesting young people in Christian Life and Service, brought out a very interesting report from Brother Magnus Nelson, of Los Angeles, telling us the joyful news of a real spiritual awakening among the young people in their church in Los Angeles.

Among those taking part in the discussions were Brothers Froid, Paulson, Nelson, Peterson, Landstrom, Anderson, and others. In regard to topic c. it was voted to express our belief that the use of more English in "Sendebudet" would not procure more readers among the young people.

At this time Rev. Andrew Farrell was introduced bringing us the message from the Ministerial Conference that a unanimous vote had been cast for amalgamation with the Ammerican Conference. This message was received with applause.

Topics a. and b. were discussed after which the meeting adjourned until 3 P. M.

At 3:30 P. M. the afternoon session was opened with singing and prayer by Brother O. A. Landstrom.

After discussion a motion was passed that we recommend that a short history of the various charges be written and published in the Year Book.

A well written paper on house to house Lay Evangelism written by a delegate from Seattle was read by Victor Nelson of Berkeley.

Motion by O. A. Landstrom that we extend a vote of thanks to the Pastor and folks of the Los Angeles Church for their cordial welcome and generous hospitality so freely given the visiting delegations. Motion was unanimously carried.

P. M. Paulson and Henry Brandvig were appointed committee on resolutions. Upon motion the meeting was adjourned to meet in joint session Saturday at 9:00 o'clock.

Saturday morning Sept. 22nd, instead of meeting in joint session the Laymen met in separate meeting taking up the topic, "Would it be desirable to continue our nominal connection?" On motion of A. W. Swenson it was decided to recommend to the Ministerial Conference and the various churches of our Swedish connection that a reunion meeting of fellowship and inspiration be held next year, one in California and one in the North and we look for and entertain invitations for such meetigs.

It was moved, seconded and carried that Rev. C. H. Sundstrom and Rev. Francis Ahnlund be appointed a committee to arrange for such meetings.

Two separate motions were adopted, one that a hearty support be given "Sendebudet" and the other that we give our hearty co-operation and support to the Academy at Evanston.

Upon motion the Laymen's Association was adjourned to meet on the Great Jubilee Day.

P. M. PAULSON, President
HENRY BRANDVIG, Secretary

RESOLUTION

The following resolution prepared by the committee on resolutions was read at the closing meeting Sunday night:

The Laymen's Association of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church desire to express our gratitude and thanks to God our heavenly Father for salvation through his Son Jesus, and to be counted worthy to labor in his vineyard.

We also wish to voice our appreciation to Bishop Charles Wesley Burns for his wise and considerate leadership, and for the deeply spiritual and uplifting addresses of the morning devotional exercises. We further wish to thank Dr. and Mrs. F. A. Lundberg, our hosts, for their hearty welcome and untiring efforts in providing for our accomodations during our stay.

To the members of the Los Angeles church and the folks who have so kindly and generously entertained us in their homes and especially to the ladies of this congregation who have so bountifully supplied us with wholesome food and all the material comforts and generous hospitality, we do most heartily thank you; may the Lord reward you according to his promise.

We also wish to convey our appreciation and thanks to the choir, soloists and musicians and all others both ministers and laymen who have in thought, word, deed or prayer helped to make this Conference a success in such a way that the Lord can bless and look down upon it all with his sanction and approval.

Now as we are about to part, perhaps never again to meet in the capacity of a Swedish Mission Conference, may God grant that we shall be priveleged to meet at last around the Great White Throne with all the redeemed of earth. Respectfully submitted: Committee on resolutions.

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Emma (nee Nilson) Ovall

Sister Ovall was born in Ryssby parish Smaland, Sweden, Nov. 9th, 1858, and passed away to her eternal reward in Springville, Calif., Oct. 5th, 1927, at the age of 68 years, 10 months and 26 days.

Sister Ovall immigrated to America in 1883, settling in Austin, Texas. On May 1st, 1887, she was married to Rev. John Ovall in Waco, Texas. Shortly afterwards Rev. Ovall entered the Methodist ministry and for more than forty years sister Ovall shared the pleasures and sorrows, sacrifices and joys, of an itinerent minister, first for 14 years in Texas, then for 23 years in the Pacific Northwest, and lastly for three years in California.

The husband and two sons, Wesley E. Ovall, of Vancouver, Wash., and Andrew V. Ovall, of Oakland, Calif., are left to mourn the passing of a faithful wife and a tender mother. She is also survived by a sister, Mrs. Johanna Jylfe, in Texas, and a brother, John Nilson, in Sweden.

Sister Ovall was converted in Sweden, and she lived a consistent, beautiful Christian life. Her's was an experience of the grace of God that

could both save and keep. And as her life had been truly Christian so was her death. Shortly before passing away she summoned her dear ones to her bedside, bade them a tender good-bye, and apparently fell asleep in Jesus. But in a few moments she opened her eyes and exclaimed, "I have been in glory, I have seen the Master, who has prepared a place for me." For her death had no terrors.

She died of cancer after about six months of quite painful illness. We thank God that her sufferings are over. In that land "of pure delight," there is no pain, no death, no weeping.

The funeral service was held Saturday, Oct. 5th, in Porterville, Calif. A large number of folks attended the service, not only from Rev. Ovall's present charges, Springville and Pleasant Valley, but also quite a delegation from his former charge, Coalinga, Calif. The Coalinga pastor, Rev. A. Buell, who was also in attendance, offered a very comforting and helpful prayer, and Rev. H. T. Lewis, of Porterville, who represented Dr. Charles Lewis, the District Superintendent, who was unable to attend, spoke beautifully on the assurance of life immortal. Many beautiful floral offerings bespoke love and sympathy. —C. H. Sundstrom

MEMOIRS

REV. JOHN JOHNSON was born in Stofnas, Wermland, Sweden, April 8th, 1855. Moved to Molmo where he heard Rev. H. Lindskog preach in the Methodist church and was gloriously converted in January 1879 and united with the church February 2nd, the same year.

Came to Worchester, Mass., September 20th, 1879 and united with the First Swedish Methodist Church in the spring of 1880. It was here it was discovered that he had ability that could be utilized in a wider field. The Official Board recommended him for our school in Evanston, Ill. He graduated in 1890 and was the same year ordained deacon by Bishop Fritzgerald in St. Paul, Minn. During the time in school he served Melrose Park, Ill.; Racine, Wis., and Olesburg, Kans. Was transferred to Puget Sound Conference 1891. Received the Elder's Order in Tacoma, 1894 by Bishop Joyce.

He served faithfully and successfully the following charges: Seattle, two terms; Cederhome, Skagit City, Pleasant Ridge and Field. Served as district superintendent one term and was a charter member of the Pacific Swedish Mission Conference. Taking retired relation at the Conference in Kingsburg, Cal., 1924.

He was a great student of the Word and a very faithful preacher and his hearers were mightily attracted to Christ by his preaching. In his fellowship with his brethern in the conference he faithfully followed the mandate of the Word by "in honor preferring others." He was a good neighbor, a loyal friend and willing to help all who needed his help.

For some time his health had been failing. Surrounded by his loved ones his face lit up with the smiles of heaven, he left to be with his Lord and Master, the 23rd day of January 1929 at the age of 73 years, nine months and fifteen days. He has gone home to praise the Lord. His earthly life was long; his heavenly life is endless and glorious.

He was married to Wilhelmina Christine Lindquist, May 3rd, 1893, and is deeply mourned by his wife and two daughters and five sons, Esther, Albin, Arthur, Earl, Florence, David, Donald, one sister, Mrs. Christina Johnson, one daughter-in-law and two grand children, Marilyn and Eugene and a large circle of friends.

Peace be upon the memory of our beloved Brother. J. N. BURDELL

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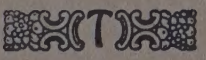

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